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Marnicq Bervoets (Kaw) won both motos of the Brazilian 250cc Motocross Grand Prix to further extend his championship points lead over **Pit Bierer** (Kaw), who tallied a 3-6 score on the day, to 17 points, 192-175. Bervoets beat **Mickael Maschio** (Yam) and Bierer in the first moto before topping **David Vuillemin** (Yam) and **Ryan Hughes** (Hon) in the second moto. Hughes finished fourth in the first moto and is now fourth in the series point standings after six rounds, with 134 points

Doug Blackwell (Yam) beat **Ty Davis** (Yam) and **Michael Lafferty** (KTM) to win the fifth round of the AMA National Enduro Series, held in Wellston, Ohio, on May 16. Davis continues to lead the championship point standings over **Randy Hawkins**, fourth in Ohio, by 31 points, 122-91.

John Hamilton Jr. (Tri) scored his first-ever National win when he topped **Ted Wilkins** (Rtx) and **Mike Livingston** (Hon) to win the 540cc class in the opening round of the AMA National Hillclimb Series, held in Middlebury, Indiana, on May 16. In the 800cc class, **Bobby Templeton** (H-D) scored the win over **Lou Gerencer** (H-D) and **Greg Williams** (Hon).

The Honda team of **Johnny Campbell, Greg Bringle, Tory Bostrom, Craig Smith, Jonah Street** and **Ron Wilson** combined to win the 24 Hours of Le Fud in Plaster City, California, May 15-16. The six-rider team combined for a new record of 1360 miles to top the Yamaha-mounted team of Ron Lawson, Gary Jones, Tim Staab and Garth Sweetland by 170 miles. Third place went to the Kawasaki-mounted team of Sal Garcia, Neil Goldsmith, Jason Hunter, Tim Pfeiffer, Andy Stevens and Robert Barnum.

Five-time World Champion **Mick Doohan** underwent 3½ hours of surgery on Friday, May 14, to repair his broken collarbone, left forearm and right leg - injuries he suffered during a qualifying crash on May 7 in Jerez, Spain. Dr. Arthur Ting, Dr. Kevin Louie and Dr. Trig G. McClellan operated on Doohan in Menlo Park, California, using six screws and a metal plate in Doohan's forearm and 12 screws, two plates and a bone graft to repair his broken right tibia.

Yoshimura Suzuki's **Mat Mladin** has been fined $1500 by the AMA for his actions at the Laguna Seca round of the AMA Superbike National Championship on May 2, and he also faces the possibility of a one-race suspension, according to AMA Pro Racing's Merrill Vanderslice. "Mat's been fined $1500 and there's the possibility of a one-race suspension if he chooses not to write a couple of apology letters," Vanderslice said. "He's in violation of two or three rules: not attending rider briefings and attempting to stop or delay a race. Basically, his actions have been detrimental to the sport of motorcycle racing, with his public display of temperament. We've tolerated this for quite some time now, but it's time we put a stop to it. It's not what he says - after all, it's a free country - but he's being unprofessional and, just like any other sport, there are penalties. If you yell at a baseball umpire, you get taken out of the game. In NASCAR, they can put you at the back of the grid. It's nothing to do with what he says in print or anywhere else, it's the public displays that are unprofessional." Mladin was adamant that he didn't want the red-flagged AMA Superbike National at Laguna Seca restarted when it was stopped with seven laps remaining, and he was involved in an argument between officials, himself and other riders at the start-finish line. Following the race, Mladin was a no-show at the postrace press conference. Mladin has been asked to write letters of apology to AMA road racing manager Ron Barrick and to the Laguna Seca media office.

Yoshimura Suzuki's **Jason Pridmore** is also in hot water with the AMA. Pridmore has been fined $300 for "not attending three rider briefings," said Vanderslice. According to the AMA, rider attendance at the briefings is mandatory.

Cycle News has learned that **PACE Motor Sports** is attempting to acquire the **Oklahoma City Half Mile** round of the AMA Grand National Dirt Track Series, scheduled for July 17, from current event promoter Ronnie Jones. Although PACE officials declined to comment at press time, sources close to the deal confirmed that it is in the works, subject to review and approval by the AMA. If the acquisition is completed, the event would be handled by PACE Motor Sports' Mike Kidd, a former Grand National Champion, out of PACE's Dallas, Texas, office.

Speaking of the Oklahoma City Half Mile, riders wishing to test their **Supertrackers** equipment will be granted free track time in conjunction with the VDTRA Vintage National scheduled for July 18. For more information, contact Johnny Isaacs at 918/836-6999 or e-mail him at: tprigo@swbell.net.

The **Du Quoin 50-Miler** has been given the green light and will officially become a big part of the huge dirt track racing weekend scheduled for July 24-25 at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds. "The testing for the 50-miler went exceptionally well," IMDA president Tim Coziahr said. "The riders who participated in the test provided great input. With their cooperation, we put together a format for the 50-miler that is going to have the first pit stops and rolling starts in the history of AMA dirt track. It's going to be a spectacular race."

Marlboro Yamaha's **Max Biaggi** ended up the quickest of the 500cc Grand Prix riders who tested at the new Valencia Circuit in Spain, May 12-13. Biaggi lapped at 1:35.846 on the final day to top Kanemoto Honda's **John Kocinski**, who lapped at 1:36.119. World Championship points leader **Alex Criville** was third at 1:36.331, with Norick Abe, Juan Borja, Tadayuki Okada, Carlos Checa and Alex Barros also circulating in the 1:36 range. Suzuki's **Kenny Roberts Jr.** ended up 13th after sitting out the second day of the test. "I'm tired, but happy," Biaggi said. "I tried two different bikes, one with my normal setup and the other with a different chassis. It's not a whole new chassis, but one we tested during the winter - that has since had some little modifications. They both seem to work well here. We also did a lot of tire testing, though to be honest, I think the track surface will be very different by the time we come here to race in September."

Japan's **Shinya Nakano** was the fastest of the 250cc Grand Prix riders at the Valencia test, lapping at 1:37.380 on the second day. World Champion **Loris Capirossi** was second best at 1:37.811, with Tohru Ukawa, Valentino Rossi and Franco Battaini rounding out the top five on the time sheets.

Todd Henning is still recovering at the Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital in Santa Rosa, California, after suffering serious head injuries in his crash at Sears Point Raceway on April 18 during the AHRMA/AMA Vintage Days West event. Henning was in a coma for five days and was semiconscious for seven more before being moved out of intensive care and into the neurology ward. Henning is still suffering from bruising to the front of the brain, and his second type of head injury is known as Diffuse Axonal Injury (DAI), the type of injury suffered by babies with shaken-baby syndrome. Henning is hoping to be moved to the Braintree Rehabilitation Hospital in Massachusetts, though he will have to be moved via air ambulance and his insurance company has balked at covering the cost of transportation. Henning's family and friends are currently trying to raise money to offset some of his medical expenses and to transport him to Massachusetts at a cost estimated to be between $12,000 and 22,000. Donations can be sent to the Todd Henning Memorial Fund, Cape Cod Bank and Trust, 103 Shank Painter Road, Provincetown, MA 02657. E-mail can be sent to Henning at todd454@yahoo.com, or regular mail can be sent to 656 Commercial St., Provincetown, MA 02657.

Kevin Curtain (Yam) and **Andrew Pitt** (Kaw) split wins in the fourth round of the Shell Advance Australian Superbike Championship at Phillip Island on May 16. Pitt scored his first-ever superbike win in the wet first race, topping **Adam Fergusson** (Hon). Curtain also topped Fergusson in the second race.

Rules for the **Australian Production Superbike** class have been revised after a meeting of the race team managers at the Phillip Island round of the Australian Superbike Championship on May 16, according to *Cycle News* contributor Darryl Flack. For the 1999 series, Motorcycling Australia sought to combine the traditional FIM-based Australian Superbikes with the 1000cc Production Superbike class that was launched in 1998, in a bid to shore up dwindling grids. After struggling against the superbikes in the opening rounds, the new 1000c Production Superbike rules allow for the porting of cylinder heads, modification of the original valves, the replacement of camshafts, and the alternator may be removed. The minimum weight for the superbikes has also been increased from 356 pounds to 363 pounds. At round four in Phillip Island, the total entry for the class was 18 - at a round that is traditionally the strongest venue of the year.

An **AMA Dirt Track Grand Championship warmup weekend** has been scheduled for June 4-6, with Lawrenceburg Speedway hosting an Amateur short-track event on Friday night, June 4. On June 5, the AMA will hold an Amateur and Youth mile at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. In addition, there will be an AHRMA Vintage National mile at the fairgrounds on Sunday, June 6. Information on the short track is available by calling 513/662-7759; information on the mile is available at 330/494-8410; and AHRMA event information is available by calling 715/842-9699.

THQ Inc. has signed on as the title sponsor of the **U.S. Open**, a supercross event scheduled for the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, October 8-10. THQ develops, publishes and distributes interactive software for a variety of hardware platforms, including PC CD Rom, Nintendo and Sony Play-Station, and they are currently developing "Championship Motocross" - an interactive game that features Ricky Carmichael. THQ joins Fox Racing, Mazda Trucks and Maxxis Tires in sponsoring the event that will pay $300,000 in purse money, with the overall winner taking home $100,000. In addition, promoters of the event have announced that White Brothers will sponsor an invitational four-stroke race that will take place at the THQ U.S. Open. Opening night, October 8, will feature four-stroke qualifying, mini practice and a freestyle exhibtion, with October 9 and 10 featuring the U.S. Open and the four-stroke and mini-class finals. For more information, call 702/566-1453.

Six-time AMA Supercross Champion **Jeremy McGrath** will appear on **"The Late Late Show"** with Craig Kilborn on Wednesday, May 19, as the second guest, following supermodel/actress Heidi Klume. Extreme sports star **Shaun Palmer**, another Lynch Archer public-relations client, will appear on "The David Letterman Show" on June 22.

Seventy-two motorcycling greats have been named to the **Motorcycle Hall of Fame** by the American Motorcycle Heritage Foundation board of trustees, bringing the total number of inductees to 196. This year's inductees were chosen from a list of more than 500 candidates representing all aspects of motorcycling dating back to the turn of the century. The 72 honorees were picked after three rounds of blind balloting by six committees of experts from all fields of motorcycling. The new inductees are as follows: J.C. Agajanian, Giacomo Agostini, David Aldana, Johnny Allen, Leonard Andres, C.R. Axtell, Speedy Babbs, Bill Bagnall, David Bailey, Gary Bailey, Bill Baird, Steve Baker, Earl Bowlby, Bruce Brown, Max Bubeck, Dick Burleson, Kel Carruthers, Danny Chandler, Russ Collins, William H. Davidson, Willie G. Davidson, Roger DeCoster, Trevor Deeley, John DeSoto, Dave Despain, Tony DiStefano, Dick Dorresteyn, Yvon DuHamel, Edison Dye, Al Eames, Bud Ekins, Don Emde, Malcolm Forbes, Walt Fulton Sr., Paul Goldsmith, Al Gunter, Bob Hannah, Bob Hansen, Rick Johnson, Harry J.R. Kelly Jr., Evel Knievel, Brad Lackey, Eddie Lawson, Ken Maely, Victor McLaglen, Steve McQueen, Chuck Minert, Putt Mossman, Eddie Mulder, Jody Nicholas, Freddie Nix, Bruce Penhall, Jack Penton, Preston Petty, Jim Pomeroy, Wayne Rainey, Cal Rayborn, J.N. Roberts, George Roeder, Larry Roeseler, Roxy Rockwood, Kevin Schwantz, Freddie Spencer, Sammy Tanner, Terry Vance, Skip Van Leeuwen, Don Vesco, Craig Vetter, Jeff Ward, Jimmy Weinert, Leroy Winters, Ed Youngblood. The inductees will be honored at a public ceremony at the opening of the new Motorcycle Hall of Fame Museum in Pickerington, Ohio, on Friday, July 9.

For the second year in a row, the entire **Toyota Canada Superbike Championship** will be featured on Speedvision's "Two-Wheeled Tuesday" motorcycle-racing broadcasts. A preview show will air on Tuesday, May 18, at 8 p.m. (Eastern), with the first race

from Calgary scheduled to air on Tuesday, June 29, at 8 p.m. (Eastern).

The seventh annual **Outlaw Vintage Short Track** will be held at Ventura Raceway in Ventura, California, on June 26, with racing set to begin at 6 p.m. Points will be awarded toward Eddie Mulder's West Coast Vintage Flat Track Series standings. The day after the race, a classic motorcycle show and exchange will take place at the Ventura County Fairgrounds. For more information, call 805/650-6777.

Horizon Racing U.S.A. is taking a major step to help ensure motorcyclists keep their right to ride by donating money to the AMA from the sale of its radiator coolant/antifreeze, according to the AMA.

Despite the best efforts of the 2000-plus letters that were sent to Governor Gray Davis on his behalf, **Cliff Glidden**, the deputy director of California's Off-Highway Vehicle Program, has been replaced. "I am extremely proud of the California OHV program," Glidden said. "The $36 million annual budget, staff of over 150 and more than 200 statewide OHV locations is an example of how government should work: for the people. We know who our customer is: It is you. For the last five years, I have focused on OHV opportunity. My vision and direction has been to establish fiscal accountability, acquire more land for OHV recreation and to do whatever it took to protect our existing riding areas. I've made the division responsive to the OHV community's needs. I haven't finished yet; there is a lot more to do. Representing the OHV community has been a tremendous challenge. I graciously thank all of those who supported me throughout my tenure. My only wish is that I could have done more." Glidden can be reached at 209/825-5751.

Race announcer **Dave Despain** will be inducted into the National Motorcycle Museum and Hall of Fame in Sturgis, South Dakota, on August 11.

The Cajun Cycle Riders will host **National Trails Day** on June 5 at the Vernon Ranger District in Cravens, Louisiana. For more information, call 504/448-0354.

Freestyle motocross will be a part of this year's ESPN **X Games**, according to a press release from LXD, the organizer of the motocross portion of the show. The X Games will run from June 25 through July 3 in San Francisco, California, with the freestyle motocross competition scheduled for June 29.

A medical fund has been set up to aid road racer **Randy Groves**, who suffered head injuries in the 600cc Supersport race at Sears Point Raceway in Sonoma, California, on April 25. Those wishing to contribute can send money to the Randy Groves Medical Fund, c/o River City Bank, 8923 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, CA 95624-1942.

MOVED: L&M Video Productions, to 10041 Telluride St., Littleton, CO 80125, 303/777-4337, 303/932-6946 (fax).

OPEN HOUSE: At Fast By Ferracci Ducati in Willow Grove, Pennsylvania, on May 22 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Former 500cc World Champion Kevin Schwantz will be the special guest. For more information, call 215/657-1276.

RESCHEDULED: Round six of the AMA National Hare & Hound Series, originally scheduled for June 26 in Wendover, Nevada, will now be held on October 9 in Wendover. For more information, call 208/342-3910.

RESCHEDULED: Round three of the WERA National Series, originally scheduled for May 28-30 at Atlanta Motor Speedway, will now be held June 12-13 at Roebling Road Raceway in Faulkville, Georgia.

AUTOGRAPH SIGNING: At Thousand Oaks Honda HRC Suzuki in Thousand Oaks, California, on May 22. Among those scheduled to appear are Miguel DuHamel, Eric Bostrom, Anthony Gobert, Kevin Erion, Nicky Hayden, Kurtis Roberts, Reg Pridmore and Greg Albertyn. For more information, call 805/371-3000.

AUTOGRAPH SIGNING: At Competition Accessories in Springfield, Ohio, May 21-22. Fast By Ferracci's Larry Pegram is scheduled to appear. For more information, call 937/0513. CN

Good things, small packages highlight Honda 2000 off-road line

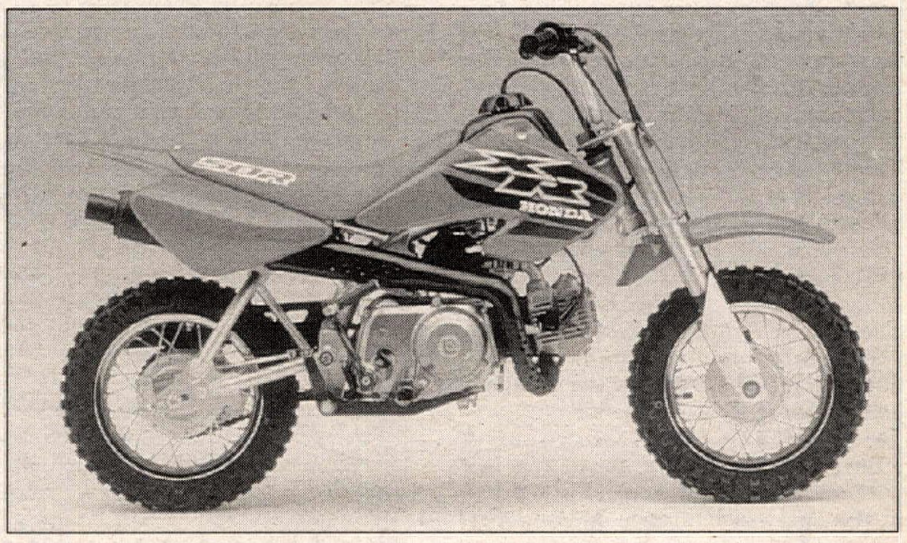
The much-anticipated next-generation XR engine may have turned out to be a bust - at least for this year - but that didn't stop Honda from introducing sweeping changes and adding a small surprise to its 2000 motocross and off-road model lineups.

Starting with the MX weaponry, the 2000 Honda CR125R and CR250R are all-new machines, featuring "second-generation" semi-double-cradle aluminum frames that Honda says are tuned to provide the optimum combination of rigidity and necessary flex for impact absorption, traction compliance and vibration reduction. Both models will also receive frame-geometry changes and a new swingarm. The layout of the machines is said to be much narrower, imparting a lighter, slimmer feel.

Suspensionwise, the CRs will receive new shocks and revised linkage ratios, with the CR125R utilizing a new KYB fork with improved damping characteristics. The CR250R is equipped with a Showa front fork with internal modifications to help reduce friction.

Both engines have been thoroughly redesigned and feature larger airboxes, new cylinders and heads, all-new power valve designs and new exhaust pipes. A Mikuni TMX carb now feeds the CR125R's combustion chamber, with the juices being ignited by a redesigned ignition system. Suggested retail prices are $4899 for the CR125R and $5799 for the CR250R. Expect to see both bikes in dealer showrooms by September. Also returning with minor revisions will be Honda's CR80R, CR80R Expert and CR500R.

Moving from big to little, small folk can look forward to the 2000 Honda XR50R, the newest in the family of Honda's four-stroke off-road lineup and the successor to one of the most popular-selling models in Honda history, the Z50R. The XR isn't just a Z in disguise, however. It is a new design, featuring the same tough little four-stroke, three-speed engine but mated to a longer-wheelbase frame and larger 10-inch spoke wheels to improve both turning and straight-line stability. An all-new monoshock design graces the rear of the bike, as does a slim seat and narrow tank profile. The XR50R is decked out in Team Honda's red bodywork, complete with race-style graphics. Suggested retail price is $1299. Like the new CRs, the XR50R will be available in September. It will be joined by revised versions of the rest of the XR family.



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Dakar Rally pyramid scheme

The 2001 Dakar Rally on which the KTM LC8 is scheduled to make its debut is set to cover a very different route from the Paris-Dakar and Granada-Dakar events held over the past 20 years. According to an interview with the French magazine Moto Journal, rally organizer Hubert Auriol has gone on record as stating that, from the new millenium onward, the direction of the rally will change from north-south to west-east - while at the same time returning to its Paris starting point, instead of Granada in the south of Spain, where the '99 event was flagged off.

This means that, from next January, Dakar will merely be the gateway to Africa, where all competitors will land on arrival (presumably by air) from France before crossing the Sahara into Libya and thence to Egypt, with the rally finishing in Cairo after a tour of the Pyramids. The exact route won't be finalized, says Auriol, until after a detailed reconnaissance of the countries entailed, once the hot desert season is over in October. But the main interest is in the inclusion of Libya as a focal part of the rally route.

This has only been made possible by the country's recent readmission to the international community, after the Gaddafi government handed over the two suspects implicated in the Lockerbie air tragedy for trial under Scottish jurisdiction in the Netherlands.

"Libya is in fact a safe country where you can move about freely, without concern for personal security or the safety of both race and support vehicles," Auriol is quoted as saying.

This is a factor of increasing concern

Benelli's 900-3 coming soon

As the universally admired and eagerly awaited MV Agusta F4 finally achieves takeoff in production form, another of Italy's historic bike marques is taxiing into position at the head of the comeback runway: Benelli.

Currently owned by youthful tycoon and ex-600cc Supersport racer Andrea Merloni, whose family Indesit/Ariston industrial empire is the largest European manufacturer of white goods (fridges, washing machines, etc.), Pesaro-based Benelli's revival began three years ago, when local resident Merloni acquired the rights to the name and set about launching a lineup of Minarelli-powered scooters, in order to provide the cash flow needed to underpin the development of a range of motorcycles equipped with Benelli's own engines.

Merloni, who currently splits his time between rebuilding Benelli and running his Team Gattolone World Superbike squad, hired former Ferrari/Cagiva race engineer Riccardo Rosa to create a range of Benelli-badged bikes.

As exclusively revealed in these columns over two years ago, Rosa's team has been working since then on a fuel-injected DOHC 12-valve three-cylinder 900cc Benelli Superbike - first in V-three guise, but now in its final configuration a transverse in-line triple. This engine has been running on the dyno since the start of the year, and earlier this month construction was completed of the complete prototype motorcycle, with dramatic styling by a team which includes several former employees of the nearby Bimota and Tamburini/CRC operations, prior to starting road testing in June.

On July 20, the new Benelli 900-3 will be revealed to the world's press in a high-profile launch at the company's new Pesaro factory (currently cranking out the good-selling range of Benelli 50/125/250cc sport scooters), prior to the bike's public debut at the Milan Show opening on September 15.

After that, Merloni plans an extensive test program before starting production in spring of 2000 - possibly with a limited-edition, hand-built version first, as with the MV Agusta - before developing a range of other models powered by the same family of three-cylinder engines, for 2001 and beyond.

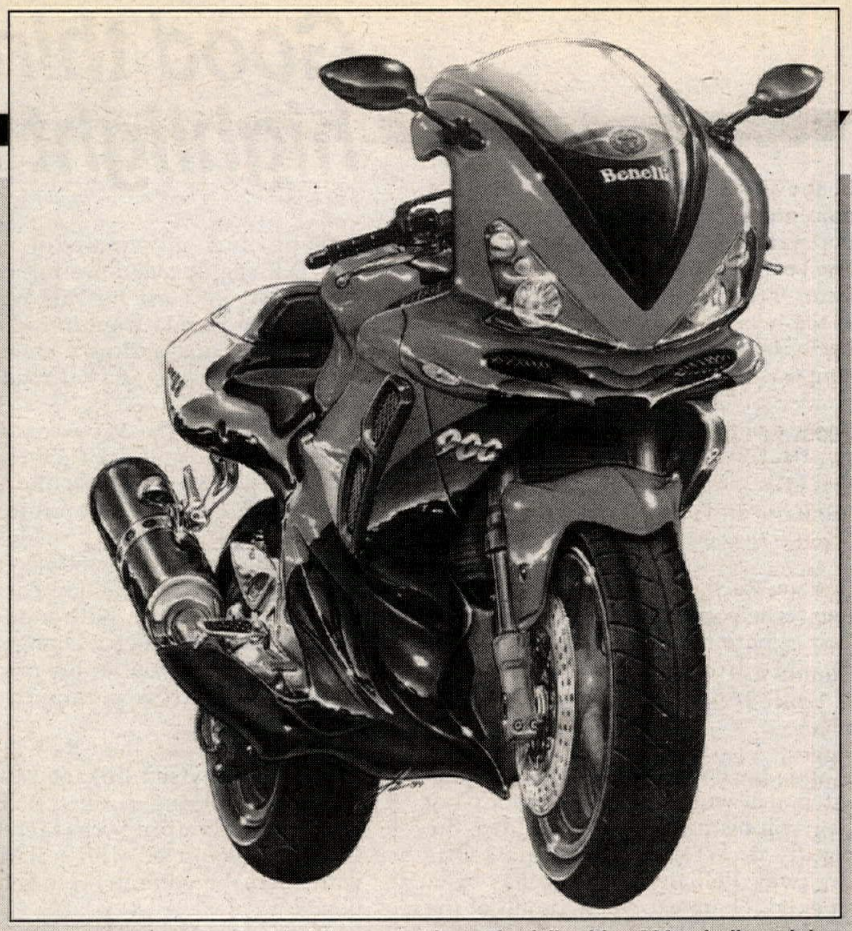


ILLUSTRATION BY JOHN KEOGH

Benelli's re-entry into the big-bike market is set for fall, with a 900cc in-line-triple-powered superbike that should look something like this.

In that year, too, the historic Benelli name will take to the race track once again for the first time in a quarter-century, with the Gattolone World Superbike team swapping its customer Yamaha R7 for a works Benelli-3.

Racing this will also provide the basis for development of an SP Corsa customer racer, to take full advantage of the new World Superbike kit-bike regulations scheduled to come into effect in '01. And when this happens, ironically, Benelli will find itself sharing the track with superbike racing's other comeback kid - its traditional MV Agusta rival with which the Pesaro firm shared a decade of Grand Prix rivalry in the 1960s!

KTM's super twin

With KTM's increasingly street-oriented new Duke II now in production as part of an expanded '99 range of bikes powered by the existing LC4 motor, and development of the Austrian company's new R1 four-stroke motocross engine off to a good start in the hands of Kiwi Shayne King, whose 520SX works prototype is running at the front of the World Open MX series, company boss Stefan Pierer is now focusing on the firm's future expansion - headlined by the move into the twin-cylinder off-road and sportbike market that KTM has been planning for some time.

Initially, this was projected to happen with a production version of the Folan 60-degree V-twin motor developed in Sweden as a spinoff from the Husaberg single - but after encountering many problems (of both a technical and human nature) with the project, KTM left it to Highland to acquire exclusive use of the engine, while starting work on its own all-new V-twin motor. "We have everything on schedule now," says Pierer. "The first KTM motorcycle powered by the 75-degree V-twin engine we're developing in-house will be a 'Hard Enduro' that will appear early in 2001 (in prototype form in January's Dakar Rally, with the customer version set to appear at the Milan Show later that year... Editor). "To begin with, we'll restrict capacity to 800cc and power to 85 to 90 bhp - more than that is inappropriate for off-road riding - but in succeeding years we'll produce bigger-bore versions aimed at street use, naturally fitted with electronic fuel injection. I can promise you a very nice family of motorcycles based on this V-twin engine design, which is the product of the outstanding 58-man R&D team working under our chief engineer, Wolfgang Felber."

And, yes, this will include an LC8 V-twin street rod based on the Duke concept, for which designer Gerald Kiske admits to having already doodled a few preliminary designs. "The Duke III will come in the 2003 model year," he says, "and will be a slightly taller but leaner version of the Ducati Monster. It'll be great in traffic - the ultimate street scooter! There's nothing else in the market at all like it."

Chief engineer Wolfgang Felber agrees.

"KTM's four-stroke reputation has grown to the point that we must be seen to do things right, and to do it our way - so we are!" Felber says. "We started out with the Folan engine but soon realized it's not the basis for a production motorcycle: The fact there was some dispute about the rights to use it provided a convenient opportunity for us to exit the project. We briefly considered doing a deal with Aprilia to develop an off-road version of the RSV1000 motor, but even though this is a quite compact 60-degree V-twin, it's too heavy for dirt use - so we went full speed ahead on building our own engine, and are honestly very pleased with the way it's turning out. But you'd expect me to say that, wouldn't you? Except it's true!"

ILLUSTRATION BY JOHN KEOGH

KTM has it's V-twin about ready to go, and it should make its debut in the LC8.

But that's not all, for Felber and his team are also working on launching a replacement for the current LC4 engine in 2002, based on one-half of the V-twin motor and aimed at street and enduro use. In addition, KTM is also planning a range of lightweight competition dirt bikes, based on the new 520cc motor in King's prototype racer. To provide the space needed to expand annual production within the next five years from the current 27,000 bikes in 1998 to a projected 40,000 twins and singles, work is well advanced on KTM's new 237,000-square-foot factory housing the new assembly lines - on schedule to begin operation in August, and the product of a $15 million investment.

The collapse of KTM's proposed marriage with Harley-Davidson is well-documented - but Pierer admits to having explored other avenues with the intent of forming a strategic alliance aimed at competing successfully on both a commercial and sporting level with the Japanese.

"We've had to put the idea on ice for the time being," he says, "though it's a pity things didn't work out with Harley, because there was a strong synergy between the two companies. Ivano Beggio, the boss of Aprilia, wants to do things his own way, which we have to respect, and while we've had very good contacts with Triumph, there's been nothing more. Little came out of our discussions about linking with Ducati, either - except for the fact that the Italians have chosen our 75-degree V-twin engine configuration for their new motor! We'll bide our time until another opportunity arises for meaningful discussion."

Hmmm - the idea of an off-road Triumph or Ducati built in Austria does have a certain appeal...

in the wake of the armed holdup of more than 50 competitors and 20 support vehicles by bandits in Mauritania last year, and it may well have been a factor in the decision to alter the route of the rally so drastically in the future. Paris-Dakar-Cairo 2000: sounds like a long way!

Goodyear back to bikes?

Tire giant Goodyear - the company that invented the racing-motorcycle slick tire more than a quarter-century ago - is set to regain the number-one position in global tire sales (including both car and bike rubber) that it lost in the 1980s, by effectively taking over Sumitomo Rubber of Japan, owners of the Dunlop tire brand.

Under the guise of a "global alliance," Goodyear is undertaking the biggest-ever investment in Japan by an American company by acquiring a 10-percent holding in Sumitomo/Dunlop and forming six joint ventures in Europe, North America and Japan, four of which Goodyear will control.

This will boost Goodyear's global market share from 17 percent to 21 percent, ahead of current market leaders Bridgestone and Michelin, each with 18 percent, and far ahead of Germany's Continental, next up with 6 percent, and the Pirelli/Metzeler combine with 4 percent.

Financial analysts are already predicting further consolidation, with a Pirelli link with Continental the most likely scenario.

Goodyear, founded in Ohio in 1898 and named after the inventor of the vulcanization process, Charles Goodyear, became the world's largest tire manufacturer in 1916 and went on to rack up 50 consecutive years of profits before plunging into loss in 1990 - coincidentally, not long after pulling out of the motorcycle tire market!

But new management has turned the company around, with profits rising to $682 million in 1998 - a marked contrast with debt-ridden Dunlop, currently $2.8 billion in the red, compared to a market capitalization of only $1 billion. This is a takeover by any other name.

However, this may not immediately make any significant impact on the motorcycle-tire market - except in one possible way. For two decades, until this year, Goodyear supported Formula One car racing - for most of that time as the sole tire supplier to all the teams taking part in the series. As part of the company's profit-driven corporate reorganization, Goodyear pulled out of Formula One this season, leaving Bridgestone (who only joined in two years ago) to carry the burden alone. There's a strong suspicion that the same policy may be inflicted by Goodyear management on Dunlop's current activities in motorcycle Grand Prix and Superbike racing, as part of the much-needed economizing needed to turn Sumitomo around.

This would significantly impact on both 250cc and 125cc GP racing, and on the works Suzuki, Kawasaki and Aprilia teams in World Superbike - and may also perhaps explain Yamaha's surprise decision to switch to Michelin tires for the new R7's debut season in 1999. Watch this space.

Bimota's Vdue stock

One company intending to concentrate more on ironing out the bugs in its existing model range and maximizing production is Bimota, where manufacture of the good-selling SB8R is in full flow, with the first batch of 250cc bikes on their way to customers around the world by the end of April.

New boss Francesco Tognon still has one problem to overcome, though: What to do with the hundreds of recalled 500cc Vdue fuel-injected two-strokes currently eating up storage charges in a Rimini warehouse?

Contrary to reports in a British newspaper, says Tognon, there are no intentions whatsoever to relaunch the Vdue in a Tesi hub-center frame.

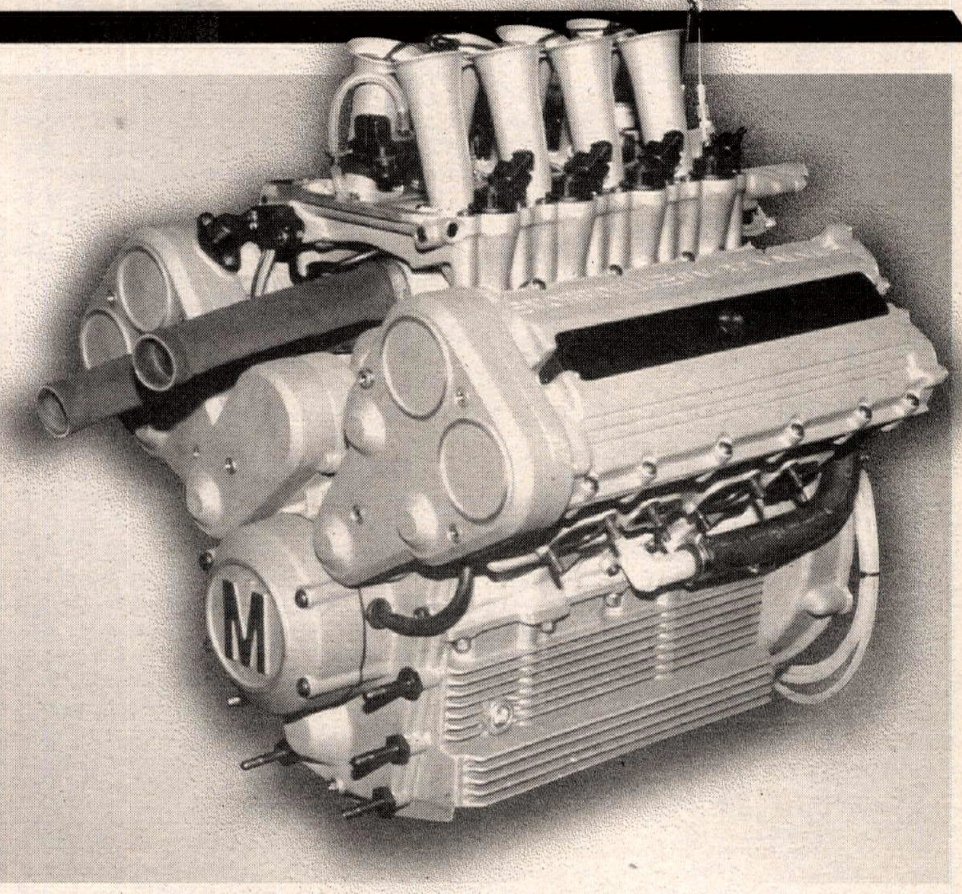
"This is completely untrue, and has never even been considered - not least because it would not make economic sense to do so, by scrapping all the frames already manufactured," he says. "In fact, the Vdue chassis is very possibly the best-handling bike Bimota has ever built - it would be crazy to junk it! However, I can say that, in the midst of getting the company back on its feet again, we haven't forgotten the Vdue - and we have a development team hard at work on a revised version of the engine, which is showing a great deal of promise."

Tognon won't reveal the nature of the changes that Bimota is working on, but informed speculation centers on junking the TDD direct fuel-injection in favor of - a pair of power-jet flat-slide carbs! Now *that* would be a motorcycle worth hankering after - anywhere that the resultant GP-racer-with-lights wouldn't have to pass too stringent an emissions test.

No Morbidelli Bimota

One engine project Bimota won't be pursuing is the Morbidelli V-eight - now owned by Tognon's minority partners SCM.

"We took a long look at adapting it to our product range," says Tognon, "but the problem is the engine capacity. It's impossible to punch it out to a full 1000cc, which we determined was crucial to marketing it successfully - customers for a 70 million lire (about $42,000... Editor) motorcycle don't want to buy an 850cc machine, only a full one-liter one. So, regretfully - because I admire the engineering and especially the V-eight's appearance - I'm afraid it's the end of the road for this illustrious project, at least as far as Bimota is concerned."



After some time examining the design of the Morbidelli V-eight powerplant, Bimota has decided it would be impractical (!) to adopt it to power a new model. What a shame...

Aermacchi party

One takeover too far was Harley-Davidson's acquisition of Italy's Aermacchi motorcycle marque from the aircraft manufacturer that had founded it in 1951, buying first a 50-percent partnership in the company in 1960 and then in 1972 completing the deal by acquiring Aermacchi's remaining 50-percent shareholding.

Four 250/350cc Grand Prix World Championships courtesy of Walter Villa in the mid-'70s failed to spark commercial success, and in 1978 Harley sold the Varese-based company to a wealthy local pair of bike-crazy brothers named Castiglioni, who rechristened the company... Cagiva!

The rest is history - but this year, to mark the reopening of the lakeside factory after 18 months of short-time working, the fifth International Aermacchi Rally will be held on June 13 at Schiranna, the lakeside town of Varese, where the Cagiva (formerly Aermacchi) factory is located.

Cagiva boss Claudio Castiglioni is throwing open the factory to all participants, who will have a chance to visit the MV Agusta F4 production line and to see many of the historic Aermacchi/H-D/Cagiva works racers and prototypes kept under wraps there, as well as meet the famous engineers and former riders - such as Ezio Mascheroni, Gilberto Milani and MV engine guru Andrea Goggi - who still work on the bikes. If you'd like to register to take part, phone any of these Italian phone numbers for more details (prefix +39, but keep the zero): 0360/445298, 02/89400619 or 0332/284628.

Sounds like a good way for future MV Agusta owners to check on the production status of Tamburini's toy!

Buell/Aermacchi Sprint soon?

Rumors circulating in Europe insist that Harley's Buell sportbike subsidiary is about to launch a modern-day equivalent of the Aermacchi-built H-D Sprint - a street single, albeit one to be built in Wisconsin at the Buell factory, rather than offshore in Italy.

The bike will be launched as a year-2000 model, so it will make its public debut later this year, and while original conjecture was that it would use an engine manufactured in Austria by Rotax (which already supplies engines for Harley's short-track race team and the company's military-motorcycle production), it now seems likely that it's fitted with an all-new motor manufactured in-house by Harley itself.

The Buell single has been spotted undergoing hot-weather testing in Australia's central New South Wales, so it seems set for an autumn launch, as projected. Interestingly, one of Harley's alleged interests in talking to KTM was to obtain supplies of the LC4 motor for future niche-market models. Was this one of them?

Harley water-cooler?

Also believed to be on the horizon is an all-new liquid-cooled V-twin engine from Harley-Davidson (known in-house as "the small motor"), which is understood to be scheduled to make its debut in July, prior to a world press launch in the Canary Islands in October.

Here again, there's an Australian connection - though this time only a possible one, rather than confirmed, as with the Buell - because according to a reputable source, about two weeks before the Harley/Ford link was officially announced in early March at Daytona, several full-faired V-twin sports motorcycles attended by a group of American engineers were spotted at Ford's You Yangs proving ground outside Melbourne, lapping the large banked oval track there at what are described as "fairly impressive speeds."

Another new-generation Harley engine just a year after the debut of the Twin-Cam 88? Given the huge investment Harley has made in its extensive new R&D facilities, which must surely generate a dramatic flow of new models, could be.

Wanted: car killer

Francesco Tognon's grueling schedule since he took over Bimota in October last year has been underlined by the fact that he's "killed" no less than four Mercedes-Benz saloons/sedans performing the 250-mile round-trip commute from his Padova home to Bimota's Rimini factory four days a week - he allows himself just one sleepover there, so as to retain better contact with his family.

"The Mercedes dealer I buy my cars from is a friend of mine," explains Tognon, "but after the fourth one broke under warranty, he gave me my money back - on condition I bought another brand of car! But my first BMW - an M5 - broke the engine after just 800 kilometers, so already I'm on my second one!"

The suspicion is that the bearded Tognon - for eight years a player on the Italian national rugby team, and before that a member of the UCLA football squad during his days at college in California - drives cars like he played football: hard!

The Bimota staff is already running a sweepstakes on which make he'll transfer to next. Will it be a Jaguar, like his friend Giancarlo Morbidelli's - or another German make, in the form of an Audi? Or should he go Japanese - like Bimota! - with a Lexus? Place your bets - and try not to buy a used car from this man. CN

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Voices

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wrong!

Has anybody noticed that Jay Springsteen possibly has the record for the longest time between National wins (1975, 1999) ever? I think you heard it here first.

It could be a good marketing tool. People love records. He might also be the oldest National winner. I don't know how old Steve Morehead was when he won his last National.

And how about another National in the Los Angeles area? We sure do miss Ascot.

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Springsteen won the Pomona half mile in 1995, the 41st of his career, at the age of 38. He is now 42 and the win last week was the 42nd of his career. Morehead won the Las Vegas half mile last year - at the ripe young age of 43. Morehead has amassed 23 Grand National dirt track wins over his career... Editor

Darrel Triber

In a recent issue of *Cycle News*, there was a brief article about the passing of Darrel Triber, who died from chest injuries sustained in a fall while racing at the age of 67. Not many outside the Pacific Northwest knew him, but some of the more notable who were at the funeral were Harry Taylor (Mr. Hodaka), Jim Pomeroy and Joe Kopp. It is a small community that comprises the motorcycle industry, and Gary Mathers (Honda's racing team manager) once worked for Darrel, and Evel Knievel and Darrel were brief partners in a business.

The list goes on, but while I worked for Darrel, he showed me that a good businessman can be a tough competitor, a tough negotiator and yet can still have integrity. More than once he impressed me with his principles, yet he was fun to be around. I owe a lot to Darrel for what he taught me, and so does the legion of riders who wore the Triber's Tigers racing vests over the years.

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Semantics lesson

I would like to clarify a discrepancy in your report on the Formula Xtreme race at Laguna Seca (Issue #18, May 12) regarding the statements "Joshua Hayes blew up his Valvoline EMGO Suzuki on the 12th lap as he exited the Corkscrew" and "... with Grant Lopez 10th today on the ailing Valvoline EMGO Suzuki 840 after running as high as third."

The image I got from the term "blew up" includes serious engine failure, and the term "ailing" implies engine trouble to me. In fact, neither Hayes nor Lopez encountered any internal-engine-component failure. Hayes' bike stopped running with what turned out to be a fuel-pump problem, and Lopez slowed when the rear shock absorber lost pressure and oil.

In the future, please feel free to have your reporter check with Team Valvoline EMGO Suzuki crew chief Keith Perry or Jeff Wilson, Suzuki's sports-promotion supervisor, if he has any questions regarding the team, the team's riders or the teams' bikes. Keith or Jeff will be happy to answer any questions, as will Josh or Grant. We appreciate this opportunity to clarify the situation.

Pat Alexander
American Suzuki
Brea, CA

My pickup truck is ailing right now, but I think all it needs is new brakes. Hopefully, the engine is okay. If it quits running altogether, I'll try not to assume that it blew up. But either way, it'll make getting there all the tougher... Editor

Sue who?

Rick Doughty writes in his letter ("Voices," Issue #18, May 12) that Team Obsolete "filed suit" against AHRMA. Team Obsolete did not sue AHRMA. Quite the contrary, AHRMA sued Team Obsolete over an admittedly worthless trademark that no one was then using. AHRMA has publicly admitted to having spent $85,000 in 1998 in a futile quest to "recover" a $3000 legal fee that was foolishly spent.

In 1999, they have spent about $60,000 more in further futile attempts to "recover" the first $85,000. Obviously, the logic and motivation for this litigation is open to serious question. Now the case is on appeal. There is no end in sight. AHRMA is suffering from an internal cancer. Reform is urgently required. I propose the following: a members' Bill of Rights establishing clear guarantees of fair treatment of all members/owners; full access to our newsletter and to our membership roster; establishment of effective procedures for prosecuting AHRMA officials for wrongdoings; formation of a "litigation oversight committee," completely independent from those who are now running AHRMA into solvency; a "truth and reconciliation commission" to review the cases of all members allegedly victimized by AHRMA's current bosses; recovery of the estimated $200,000 from the bosses who spent it on worthless litigation.

Rob Iannucci
Brooklyn, NY

Iannucci owns and operates Team Obsolete... Editor

Lipping off

The display that was put on by Mat Mladin at Laguna Seca during the wait for the restart and the comments made by him after the race were one of the worst displays of sportsmanship I've ever seen. And thanks to television, only a few million others witnessed it along with those unfortunate enough to see it firsthand.

It is absolutely absurd that Mladin had the nerve to lip off about the AMA and the fans expecting him to do his job. For someone who has such a huge interest in helping this sport grow, he sure has a strange way of showing it. Fans go to the races to enjoy themselves - if they wanted to hear bitching and complaining, they'd stay home. There isn't anybody out there who wants to hear a bunch of high-dollar crybabies go at it - and, please, not on a nationally televised broadcast where everyone can see the tantrums.

What exactly was Mladin's problem is still a mystery, since he has conceded that they were still half a lap away from 80 percent. That means you're not at 80 percent - period. Talk about throwing a fit to get your own way. He wanted the AMA to change the rules to suit him. My, aren't we the spoiled one? Why would anyone want to be given something they hadn't earned? It was unfortunate that the leaders lost so much ground because of the restart, but that's racing and these things sometimes happen. Suck it up.

As for his complaints about the "unprofessionalism of the AMA" in this particular situation, it was nothing compared to that displayed by our resident crybaby. In fact, it was such a profound example of unprofessionalism that Webster's has decided to adopt a likeness for Mat for their upcoming edition as an example of unprofessionalism. Look for it to hit shelves soon.

As a final note, I'm glad that most of

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ON THE FRONT COVER

Kevin Windham scored the overall victory in the Hangtown Motocross National with his consistent moto finishes. Photo by Kinney Jones. Colin Edwards II won the second leg of the World Superbike round in Albacete, Spain. Photo by Gold & Goose.

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his antics have been edited out of subsequent airings of the race. Incidents like this one are just plain bad for the sport and everyone involved.

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World Mini response

I would like to respond to the "World Mini Nightmare" ("Voices," Issue #17, May 5) letter. There were a number of facts that were incorrect which I would like to clear up.

1. Mr. Riess spoke to me at the sign-up window, not with Patty Moorwood;

2. It was one hour after sign-up closed (5 p.m.) that Mr. Riess tried to make changes. Since he pre-entered, he had in his possession the information packet that was sent to him stating in writing that the window would be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. It was during this time that numerous other people who pre-entered requested changes and were readily accommodated;

3. Mr. Reiss told me he "called the office a couple of days ago," which would have been Monday. The Norwalk office closed on March 31 (Wednesday) and the NMA officials went to Las Vegas - so he could not possibly have talked to anyone in the Norwalk office, since there was nobody there. If his son's bike broke two weeks before the event, then he had plenty of time to call before the closing date at the office, or he could have followed the information sheet and waited his turn in line like the others who made changes. Or he could have fixed it, like he did a few hours before the event;

4. To his question, "So I'm supposed to eat my $250?" I, not Patty Moorewood, responded by suggesting he see if some of the factory people could help him, and he chose not to pursue that avenue, but instead said he was going to write *Cycle News* about this. I responded with, "Information was sent out to you about the times we were open, so do what you have to do."

I applaud the NMA officials for whom I work - Patti Moorewood and Ron Henrickson. With over 2000 entries, they have to be consistent with their times in order to get the program up and running. In events as big as this one, event promoters have to take a firm stand and stay within the time frame they have set. It is unfortunate that people want the rules changed to meet their needs without taking into consideration the whole picture. The World Mini was formed for the riders and that is why there have to be rules and guidelines. If it were all about money, then there would not be a World Mini. The event was run smoothly and in a timely manner.

Jannice McAlister
Coeur d'Alene, ID

Good Jill

I just wanted to take the time to thank Jill Patterson for her help during what was a very difficult time for me. At a recent CERA D-36 Enduro in Georgetown, I had a bit of bad luck and badly broke my left leg. Fortunately, two other riders (a big thank-you to the two guys on minute 35) saw me go off the trail and down into a large gully - where I promptly disappeared from view. The person who got to me first was *Cycle News* contributor Jill Patterson, who had been taking photographs and reviewing the race for the newspaper.

Jill was incredibly helpful and her attitude certainly helped keep my spirits up. Her willingness to give me her coat for warmth, get additional help, fashion a splint for my leg, and be of general help and good cheer was greatly appreciated. Without Jill, the one-hour wait for the ambulance would have been much more difficult and could have been costly to my health. Jill promised to ensure my motorcycle got back to my friends and that my friends would be apprised of my situation and told which hospital they were taking me to.

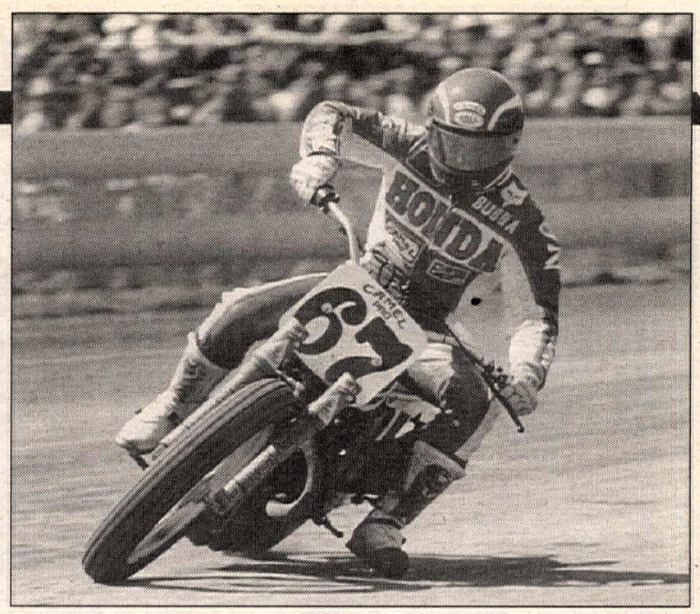
Jill stayed with me until I left in the ambulance and she stayed to keep her promise. She convinced one of the guys to help get my bike out of the gully, and then she rode my motorcycle to the gas stop. At the end of the race, she made sure my motorcycle made it to my friends and informed them of my situation.

What she did for me was above and beyond the call and was greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank all the others who helped me through this painful situation. I will be out of racing for a few months, but I plan to return this fall.

Todd Kimble
San Jose, CA

Bad Jill

I realize journalists cannot cover every angle, but it's too bad that Jill Patterson took Mr. Kirk Kellerman's letter regarding her coverage of the Wilseyville National Hare Scrambles so personally that she felt she had to slander me in her letter to the editor.



The sad thing is that her letter said "several reported seeing Stavish cut the course to take a detour around a deep-rutted and bogged-out section." Her story read, "...lapped riders, who were stalled in seat-deep mud, blocking the only line along portions of the course." I was credited with second place; no one came forward to protest. For her or anyone to dispute that now is pointless.

As for Ms. Patterson's comment that she was unable to contact me, I hung out at the sign-up tent until final results were posted with my name on my jacket - while I watched three of the top five leave. Also, I have two phone lines, neither of which she called.

I felt I needed to clear my name in this matter. I directly represent my sponsors, so I need to maintain my image. Without their support, I could not compete in this sport that I love.

Matt Stavish
Minneapolis, MN

Deal with the devil

A daylong family trip to the zoo, killer seats to a John Mellancamp concert, a dozen roses, a mushy card and approximately one week of near on-my-knees butt kissing.

Guys, you're killing me.

Please schedule the Glen Helen round of the National Motocross Series on a day other than Mother's Day. I'm probably silly for even suggesting that the solution would be as simple as the following, but here are a few possibilities: Rotate the Mother's Day race among the other tracks or, on the weekend of the Mother's Day race, run the Pros on Saturday.

Thank you, Glen Helen administration and all of those responsible, for putting on another awesome event.

Tab Maudlin
Chino Hills, CA

Crossover winners

With Larry Pegram winning both a Grand National Dirt Track and a Superbike National, my question is, How many other riders have won races in the top levels of AMA racing? At least in the modern era - say, the last 15 years, when racing has become so specialized within each specific form of racing - have there been any others? I remember Bubba Shobert back in the days of the Camel Pro Series, but I can't remember any others.

I believe Larry's accomplishment is a major one - one that few other racers can lay claim to.

William H. Lloyd
Torrington, CT

Since the very first Grand National Champion was crowned in 1930, only 20 men have managed to win both a dirt track National and a road race National. The list is impressive: Skip Aksland, David Aldana, Brad Andres, Art Baumann, Mark Brelsford, Doug Chandler, Kenny Eggers, Bobby Hill, Joe Leonard, Dick Mann, Fred Nix, Gary Nixon, Larry Pegram, Cal Rayborn, Roger Reiman, Carroll Resweber, Kenny Roberts, Gene Romero, Bubba Shobert and Ralph White. Of those 20, only four have been able to pull off the Grand Slam (road race, mile, half-mile, short track, TT) - Doug Chandler, Dick Mann, Kenny Roberts and Bubba Shobert... Editor

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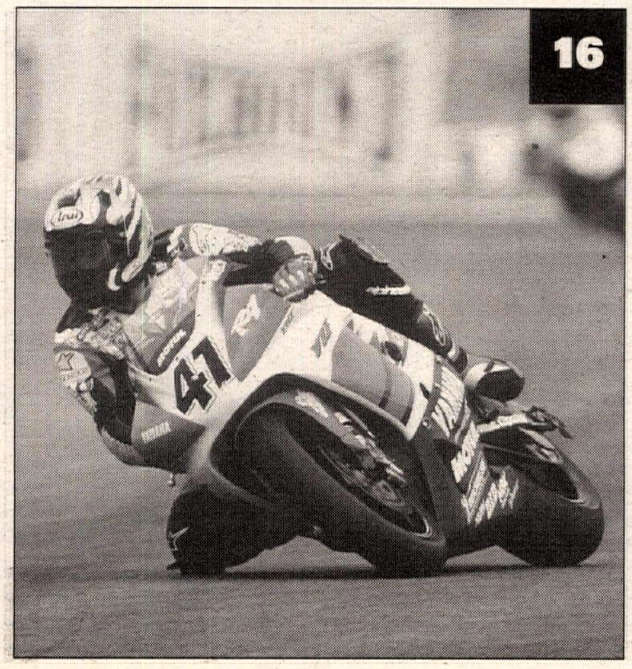

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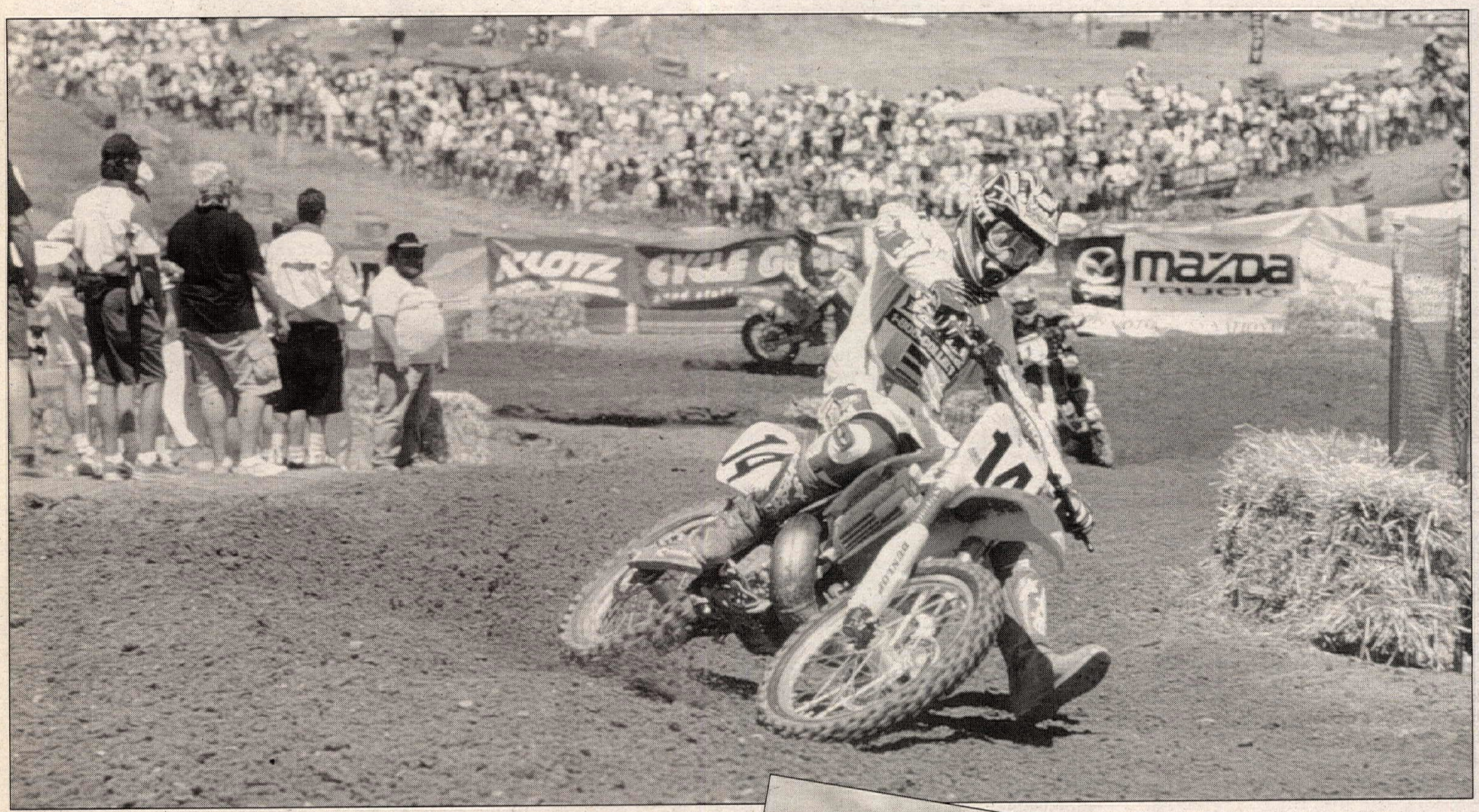
Windham awakes



By Matt Freeman
Photos by Kinney Jones

SACRAMENTO, CA, MAY 16

After posting two solid moto wins and the overall during round one of the 250cc National Motocross Championship Series at Glen Helen Raceway Park just a week earlier, all eyes were on the Team Honda CR250 of Sebastien Tortelli. As the 40-rider field of the first 250cc moto exited the near-180-degree first turn of the Hangtown Motocross track, Tortelli was nowhere to be found. Instead, claiming the holeshot and the lead for the first eight laps was Tortelli's teammate Kevin Windham. Windham ended up third in the moto, but he was definitely not finished yet. A great start in moto two led to a second-place moto finish, which netted Windham the overall win in front of 23,745 cheering spectators.

"Going off the gate in the second moto, the overall wasn't even in my head at that point," Windham said. "It wasn't even in my mind. There's so many fast guys here right now, I was just concentrating on getting a good start, and I didn't think about the overall until about two laps to go."

With two laps to go, Windham was chasing a distant Jeff Emig, who finished fifth in the first moto. After gating third in the second moto, the Team Kawasaki rider passed Windham for the lead at the halfway point of the 30-minute-plus-two-lap race. From there it was smooth sailing around the high-speed Hangtown circuit for Emig, who was awarded second when scores were tallied.

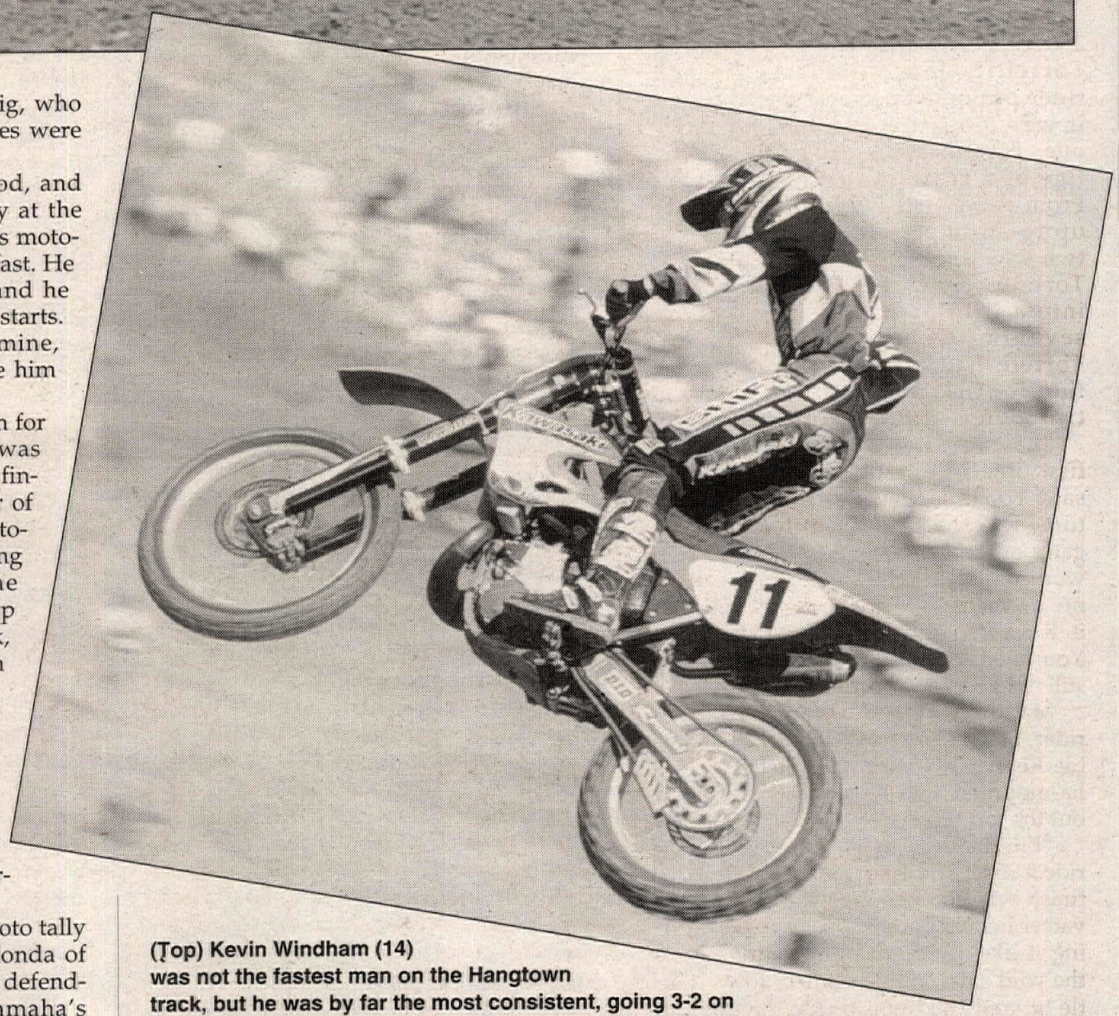
"My choice of lines was good, and that allowed me to have energy at the end of the race," Emig said of his moto-two win. "Windham was going fast. He had good times all weekend, and he was riding awesome with good starts. Kevin's a real good friend of mine, and I would like to congratulate him on this win."

Also congratulating Windham for his win while on the podium was Team Honda's Ezra Lusk, who finished third. Lusk was the victor of moto one and the victim of a moto-two first-turn pileup. Remounting his bike nearly dead last, the Supercross Series runner-up picked his way through the pack, finishing an impressive sixth in the moto.

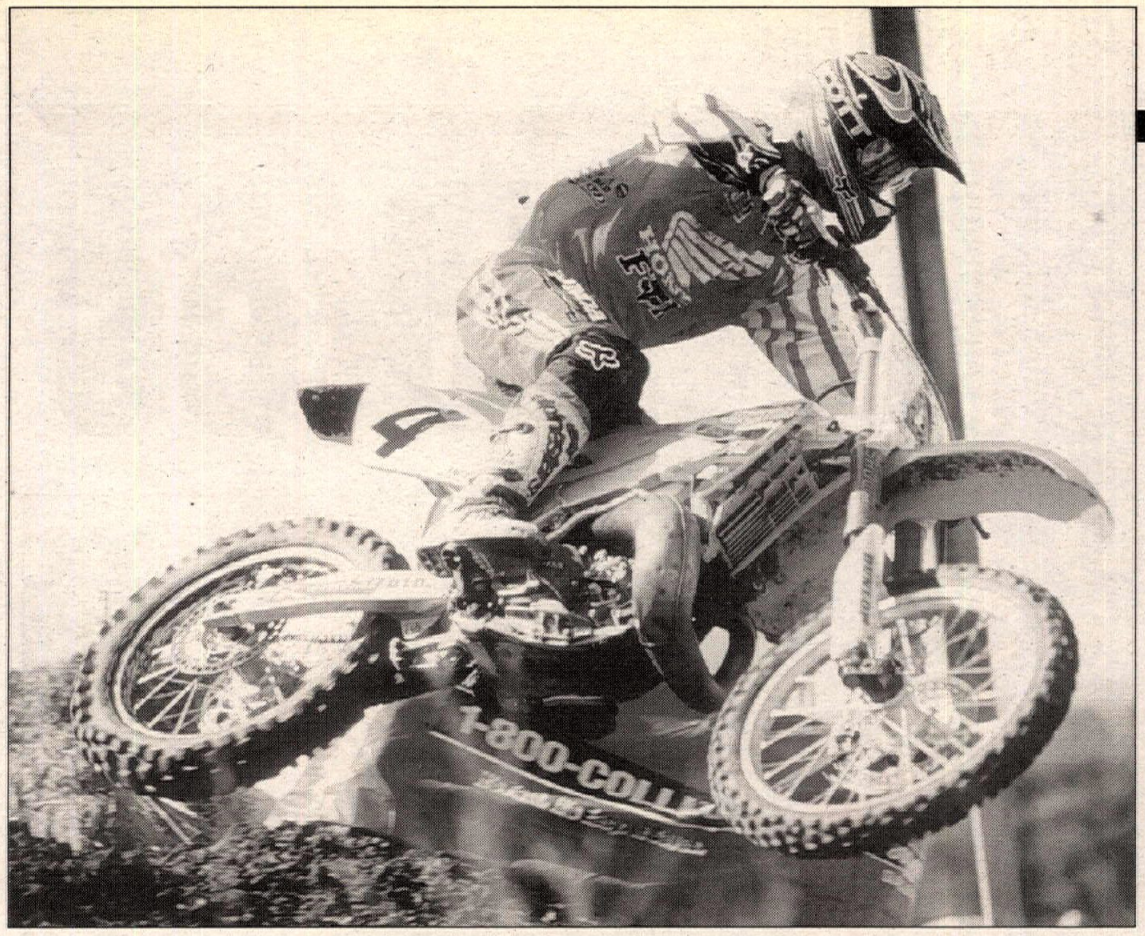
"I'm happy with how I rode," Lusk said at the awards ceremony. "Getting out, charging and passing people and getting a really good lead and not looking back (in the first moto, no doubt). I usually do terrible here."

Finishing fourth with a 6-3 moto tally was the Factory Connection/Honda of Mike LaRocco, followed by the defending series champion, Team Yamaha's Doug Henry.

"It felt good to run the pace - for a little while, anyway," said Henry, who finished fourth in moto one and held the lead in the second outing until fading



(Top) Kevin Windham (14) was not the fastest man on the Hangtown track, but he was by far the most consistent, going 3-2 on the day. Early in the first moto, Doug Henry (1) and Ezra Lusk (4) chased him as he led for eight laps.
(Above) Jeff Emig was back up to speed with a fifth-place finish in the first moto and a win in the second. Emig chased down Windham in the second moto and opened up a comfortable lead to claim second overall.



back to eighth. "I held Emig off the last couple of laps in the first moto. He was putting on a good charge, and it felt good to do that."

In the past, Hangtown has treated Suzuki's Greg Albertyn well. Last year, Albertyn posted second after splitting moto wins with Jeremy McGrath. The year before that, the South African won the event. It appeared as though Albertyn might repeat his former success as he went from eighth in the first moto to second, finishing behind Lusk. In moto two, Albertyn was involved in horrible first-lap crash that also claimed Lusk and Yamaha-mounted Motoki Tatsuyuki. Luckily, Albertyn was not hurt, but he could only climb as high as 12th at the end of the moto, placing him a disappointing sixth.

So what happened to reigning 250ccc World Motocross Champion Tortelli? Once again the French rider put on a spectacular show, but it was too little, too late. In moto one, Tortelli got a bad jump off the line and crashed in the first turn. From dead last, he worked his way up to an impressive seventh. Moto two saw another mediocre start for Tortelli, which he could only turn into a fifth-place finish. Finishing seventh overall in the results, Tortelli had a reasonable explanation for his poor starts in the first two rounds of the series thus far.

"Last week at Glen Helen was the first time I ever started on concrete," said Tortelli, who has grown accustomed to the traction-filled starting gates of the World motocross circuit. "I worked a lot on the starts this week on my driveway. I'm trying to get better at it. It was the only place I could practice. You need to get a good start, and I'm still not good on concrete."

Mazda/Chaparral-Yamaha's lone rider, Steve Lamson (9-7), Suzuki's Robbie Reynard (15-4) and Noleen/Yamaha-mounted Tim Ferry (11-9) rounded out the top 10.

"I'm finally, I think, learning how to ride a 250," said Ferry, whose 10th-place finish was good enough for the top-privateer honors once again. "I've been riding it like a 125, and I'm a little bit on the wild side, so I've calmed down a little bit and tried not to ride the thing in second gear all the time. I've been overrevving it too much. It's going to take a while to get used to it still. I'm just trying to catch and pass as many factory guys as I can."

(Above) A fourth-place start in the first moto helped Ezra Lusk claim the first-moto win. In the second moto, however, Lusk had to make up time from a first-turn crash that left him in the back of the pack. He soldiered on to finish sixth in the moto, third overall.
(Above right) Mike LaRocco finished one spot off the podium with a 6-3 moto tally.
(Right) 23,745 spectators cheer as Doug Henry (1), Jeff Emig (11), Kevin Windham (14), Larry Ward (7), and John Dowd (6) separate themselves from the rest of the pack just moments after the start of the second moto.

MOTO ONE

Windham exploded out of the gate to start off the day, with the four-stroke of Henry, Suzuki's Larry Ward, Lusk, Emig, Honda's Mickael Pichon and Lamson closely in tow. Many others struggled just to make it out of the first turn.

"I got a horrible start - I was probably only ahead of a handful of people," said Yamaha's Jimmy Button, who was involved in a lot of contact at the start, though he luckily did not go down. "Someone got into me and got their wheel caught on my foot. I couldn't get it off me, and I was shaking and shaking it, and people were going around me, and finally I got it off."

It was Tortelli who was hung up on Button's boot and, as a result, he went down. As the lead group raced over the finish-line jump and into the second turn, Tortelli remounted his CR250, hell-bent on catching the leaders. By the third lap, Tortelli had gone from 40th to 20th place.

Meanwhile, Windham, Henry and Lusk were involved in a heated battle for the lead, and just before the halfway point of the moto Lusk went by his Honda teammate to take over the point. Once out front, Lusk put a lot distance between himself and the battle for second place between Windham and Henry, which soon would include Albertyn.

"This track suites my riding style," Albertyn said. "I'm just ready to kick ass."

The former World Champion did just that, in fact, in his first outing. Albertyn gated far out of the top 10, and by lap 11 of the 19-lap affair he had passed Henry to claim third. Four laps later Albertyn passed Windham, moving into the runner-up spot, where he would finish the moto.

Henry and Emig circled the final few laps in fourth and fifth all the way to the finish.

"I didn't have a lot of confidence going into the first moto," said Emig, who made a serious threat to pass Henry to take fourth but just could not make it happen. "We've been off with some of our settings on the bike, and it takes some time to build confidence when you make changes. We made major changes from the first National to this weekend. I finally ran all right, though. My times were decent, but not real good."

Back in sixth place was LaRocco, who first had his hands full with no rear brake and then later with Tortelli.

"I got through the first lap pretty good," LaRocco said. "I was sixth and I went wide and got a rope around my back brake. I launched off a jump and had no back brake, so I went down."

LaRocco got up and somehow managed to get his brake back and hold Tortelli off as well, relegating the Frenchman to a seventh-place finish, ahead of Button, Lamson and Ward.

Lamson was less than happy with his ninth-place finish.

"It seemed like more guys passed me than I passed guys," said Lamson, who won the 125cc class last year at Hangtown via a 2-2 score. "It kind of sucked. My arms were pumped up for over half the race. I was too worried about everybody behind me. Next moto I've got to pick it up."

MOTO TWO

Lamson did pick it up at the start of the second moto, but he gated only as high as sixth. In the lead was the booming YZ400F of Henry, who grabbed an unsurprising holeshot on the uphill

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Tortelli leads Honda sweep as Red Riders take top five spots at Glen Helen season opener.

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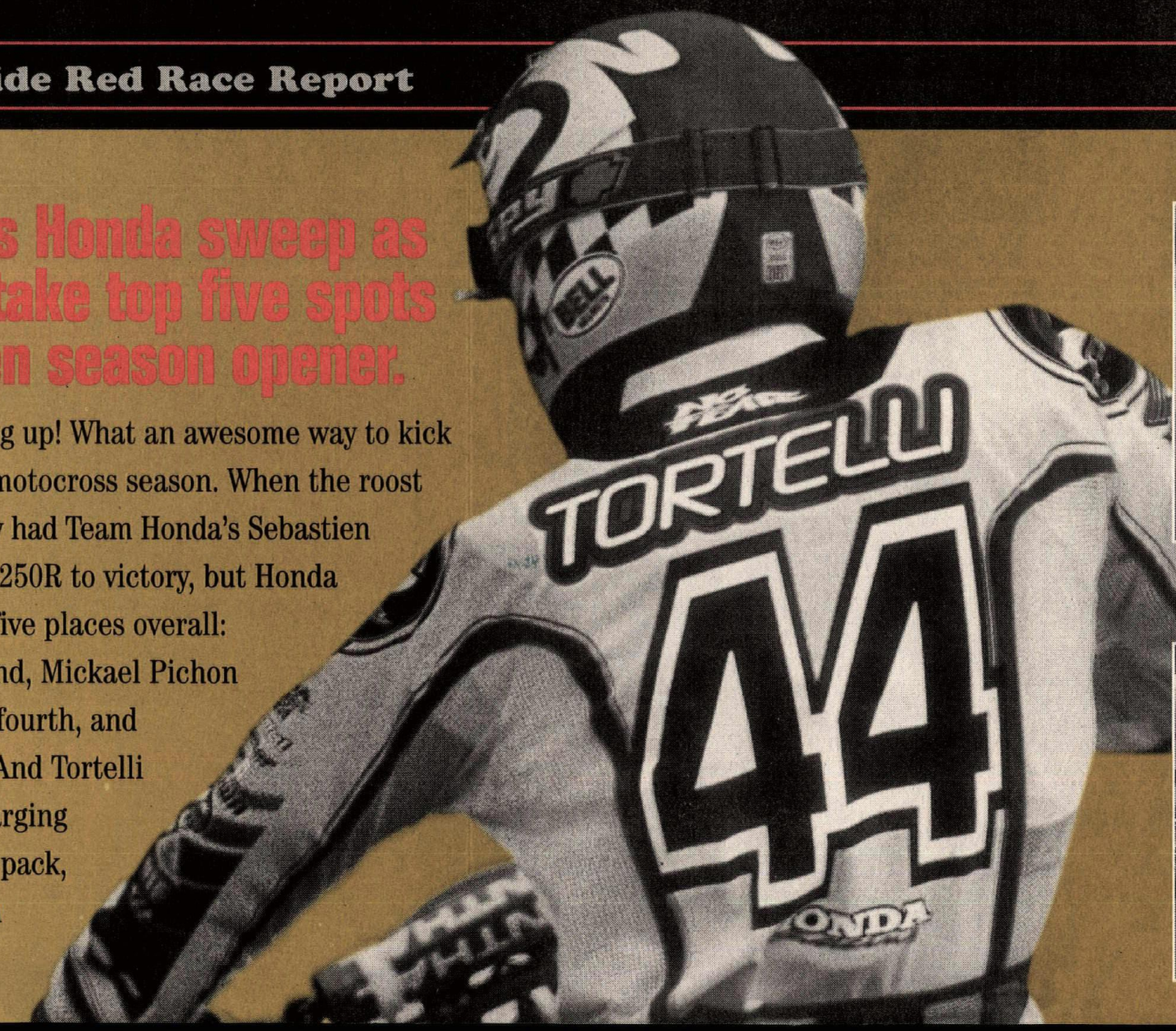

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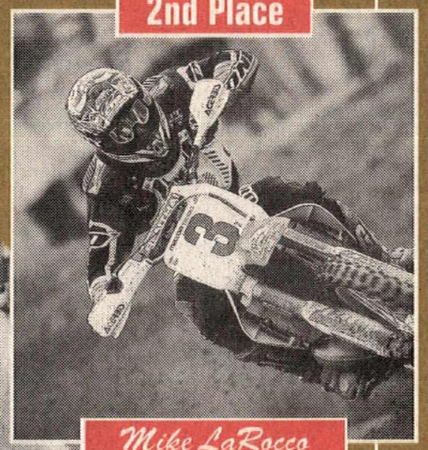
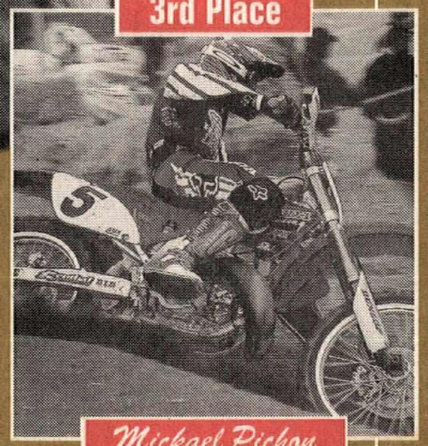


Mike LaRocco

3rd Place



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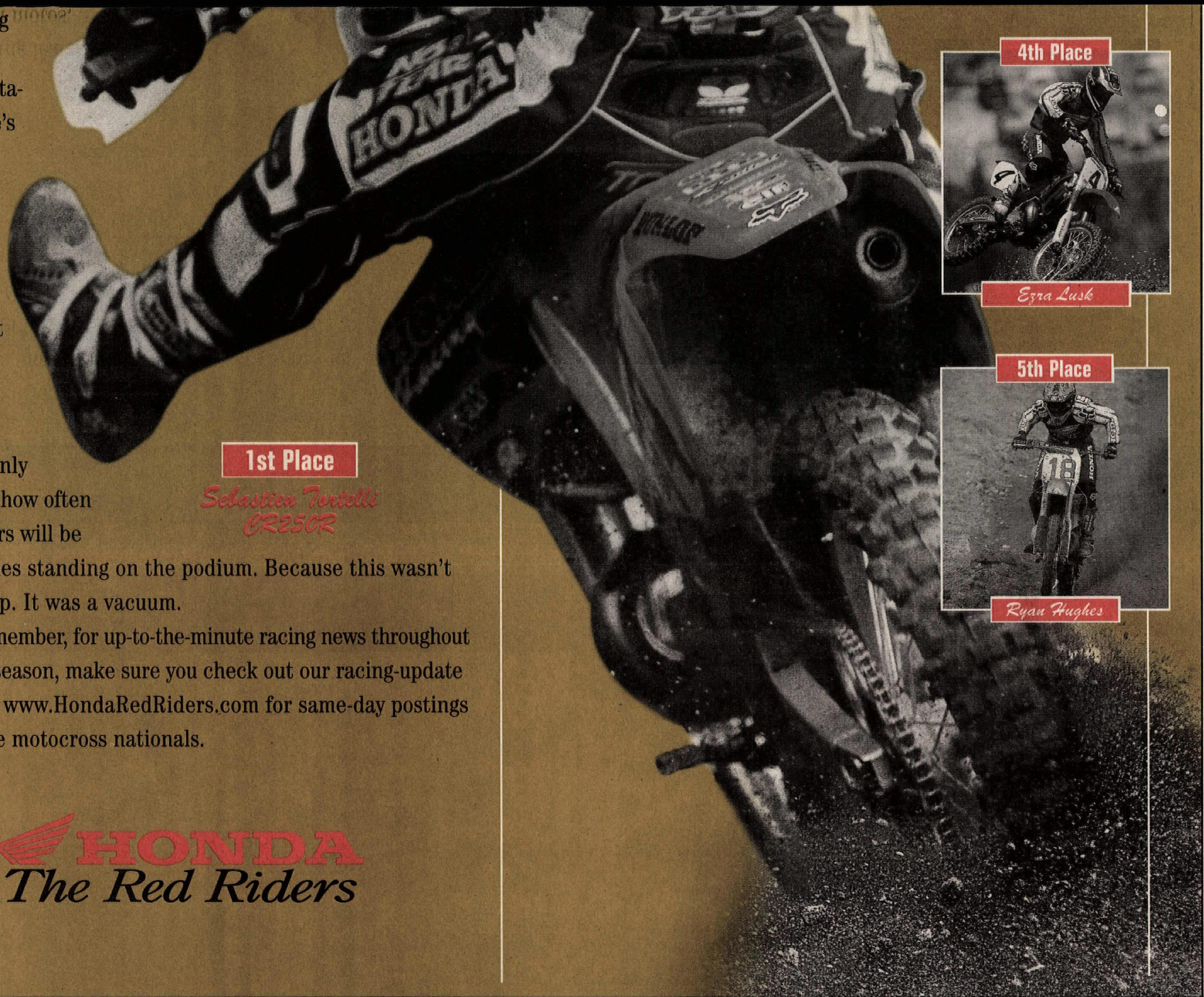

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Round 2: Prairie City SVRA Park

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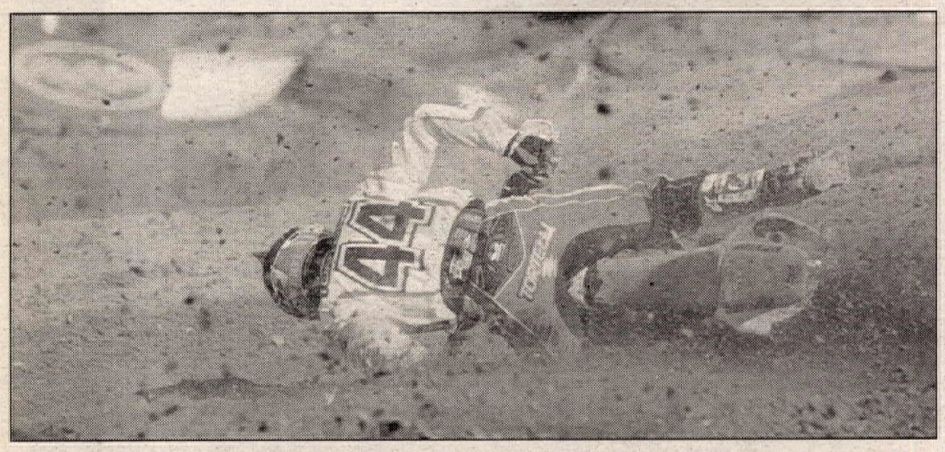

Series points leader Sebastien Tortelli's day went something like this: He went down in the first turn during moto one and worked his way up to seventh. In the second outing, Tortelli got pinched off at the start and then suffered this crash, which set him back to fifth in the moto, seventh overall.

starting grid. Windham, Emig, Ward and Kawasaki's Damon Huffman circled the first lap in front of Lamson as well. Albertyn's and Lusk's chances of an overall win went from good to slim when both riders went down just on the other side of the first turn.

"It was really dusty in the first turn, and I couldn't really see," Lusk said. "I slid out, high-sided and picked myself up near last. From there I made a charge."

Lusk made a charge indeed - one that was just as impressive as Tortelli's come-from-behind climb in moto one. But Tortelli himself was the victim of another bad start, though he did fair much better than Albertyn and Lusk coming out of the first corner.

"I was right next to Albee, but we kept banging each other," said Tortelli, who came within a hair of going down as well. "I went around the crash, but just barely."

Lusk and Tortelli were not the only Honda riders mired toward the back of the pack.

"In the second moto, there was a pileup in the first turn," Pichon said. "I avoided that, and then there was another pile after that by the finish-line jump. I almost hit them, too, and I'm like, 'F%@#, they're all crashing out.' Still, I was 12th or something."

Pichon later dropped out of the running for a good finish when he landed off a jump with his foot down, tweaking his right ankle. His poor first-moto finish was due partly to a tender left ankle. Coincidentally, Albertyn remounted from his crash to finish 12th in the moto and sixth overall.

With some stiff competition still chasing him, Henry set out to do what he did so many times last year, but before he could open up a lead, Windham decided to do it for himself on lap three. Emig had the same idea as Windham, and he, too, made it around Henry to move into second a lap later. Henry went further backward soon after, falling to eighth in the moto and fifth in the overall standings. Ward, who was running fourth behind Henry at the halfway point, also fell back - even further to 10th, which, combined with a 10th in the first moto, netted the Suzuki pilot 11th on the day.

"For some reason, the first four motos of the year I've been a little timid, and I need to pick it up," Ward said about his performance thus far. "I've been consistent, just consistently back too far. I don't think superfast tracks favor a tall guy too well."

Hangtown is a superfast track, and the foursome of LaRocco, Tortelli, Suzuki's Robbie Reynard, and LaRocco proved that as they raced into a heated battle for third place at the 17-minute mark of the moto. The battle went on for several laps, with LaRocco faring best, claiming third with Reynard in tow. The fourth-place finish was exactly what Reynard needed to help cure his first-moto finish of 15th, giving him ninth in the overall results. For Tortelli and Button, it could have gone better.

"I'd get behind LaRocco and get ready to pass him and then I'd make a mistake," Tortelli said. "Finally I crashed on my hand and crushed my fingers. For two laps I was in pain and couldn't hold on. Jimmy (Button) passed me, and then he crashed, so I got him back."

The hand injury, a repeat of one that he suffered during the supercross season, left Tortelli back in fifth, seventh on the day. Button ended up even further back.

"I passed Sebastien (Tortelli), hit a jump and then went over the bars," Button said about the late-race mishap that pushed him back to 12th in the overall results. "I couldn't get going and ended up, like, 16th. It sucks. I worked hard to

Briefly...

Earlier in the day, **Kevin Windham** won his qualifier. The Team Honda rider had to race Sunday morning due to his poor results last week at Glen Helen. In the same race, Suzuki's **Larry Ward** finished second. In his qualifier, Windham pulled out the fastest lap time of the weekend with a time of 1:49:09. Primal Impulse/Suzuki/Bill's Pipes' **David Pingree** and FMF/Honda's **Danny Smith** were also just a couple of other fast guys that had to qualify for the main race.

Team Green Kawasaki Off-Road's **Destry Abbott** tried to make the show at Hangtown for the second time since 1997. During the Saturday qualifier he was in the top 10 in the first turn, but a pile-up just after the start took Abbott out of the running. Later in the day, Abbott was given another chance and he did not disappoint. He gated fifth and, by the end of the second lap, was third. As the race went on, the ISDE Trophy Team member ran down second place and finished a close second. "I've never been more nervous in my entire life," said Abbott just before the start of his first qualifier on Saturday. Instead of his usual KX250 set up for off-road racing, Abbott raced **Nathan Ramsey's** SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki KX250. Abbott qualified for the Sunday program in '97 aboard a Vosburg Racing KTM.

Destry Abbott was just one of many 1998 ISDE team members present at Hangtown. Team Suzuki Offroad's **Rodney Smith** was at the FMF semi, next to his GNCC championship-winning RM250, signing autographs. KTM Sportmotorcycle's other fast brothers, **Pat and Brian Garrahan**, were seen walking around the pits as well. Yamaha-mounted **Erik Koehler** and KTM-mounted **Eric Cleveland**, also of 1998 Six Days fame, took part in the weekend's festivities, racing on Saturday.

Yamaha of Troy's **Stephane Roncada** was absent from Hangtown due to a nagging wrist injury that hampered Roncada's performance at Glen Helen a week earlier. "Roncada will be back as soon as his wrist gets better," team manager Erik Kehoe said. "It's going to be day by day for now. He thought he was ready for Glen Helen, and he wasn't ready."

Primal Impulse/Suzuki/Bill's Pipes had problems before they even got to Sacramento. The team's Corona, California, facility was broken into earlier in the week and several wheels off their box vans were stolen right off the vehicles. "They broke into the back of Primal Impulse - the gated area - and just took them," team manager Pat Alexander said. "They stole the stereos, too. We got here a little late because of that, but now everything is running pretty smooth, actually." That was, until the start of the first 125cc moto, when David Pingree's race went up in a cloud of smoke. A crash left Pingree with a possibly broken or dislocated shoulder.

Team Suzuki also had a bit of drama once they got to the Prairie City SVRA Park. On Friday, a leaky propane tank mounted on the team's semi caught on fire and burned up the front of the rig. The fire department was called into the pits and put out the fire rather quickly before the entire semi burned down. In order to put out the fire, part of the trailer had to be ripped apart, but luckily no one was hurt in the episode.

Team Honda's **Ezra Lusk** and FMF/Honda's **Brock Sellards** spent the week prior to Hangtown with two-time 125cc National Motocross Champion **Johnny O'Mara**, training near his home in Laguna, California. O'Mara, who was an avid trainer in his racing days - and still is - treated Lusk and Windham to a week's worth of running and cycling. "We went mountain-biking, and it was hard-core," Sellards said. "I thought I was going to die, and they pretty much put the hurt on me, but I hung in there, I guess. I wasn't too far behind." The training must have helped, as Sellards enjoyed his best-ever finish at a National event.

The sport of motocross continues to get even more television coverage. Native Northern Californians **Tallon Vohland** and **Steve Lamson** made an appearance on a local Sacramento morning television show on Thursday. The two riders did a live segment on the local ABC network affiliate, and Vohland even had his FMF/Honda with him to show off.

Team Honda's **Ezra Lusk** led Julio Leon from the Make A Wish Foundation on a parade lap before the first moto on Sunday. The Make A Wish Foundation is a nonprofit organization set up to actualize the wishes of children with terminal illnesses. Leon, from nearby Berkley, California, also got to hang out with Yamaha of Troy's **Ernesto Fonseca** on Saturday. "I ride a little bit, but I don't race too much," said the teenage Leon, who learned to ride a motorcycle aboard a big CR500. "I got to race on Friday, though." Some of the loudest cheers of the entire weekend were given to Lusk and Leon as Leon followed Lusk around the track aboard **Tallon Vohland's** FMF/Honda CR125.

U.S. Tobacco has set up a **privateer fund** for the entire series that will pay big dividends to the top two finishing privateers in each class. This week Team Moto XXX's **Travis Preston** collected top-privateer honors in the 125cc class, finishing 13th and pocketing $1000. Kawasaki of Mexico's **Erick Vallejo** collected $500 for his 14th-place showing in the 125cc class. The top finishing 250cc privateer was **Tim Ferry**, followed by **Takeshi Koikeda**, who finished 10th and 13th. They, too, recieved checks from U.S. Tobacco in the amounts of $1000 and $500. In addition, at the end of the series the top finishing privateer in each class will receive $5000, and the runner-up will get $2500. All winnings come by way of U. S. Tobacco.

U.S. Tobacco did not stop there. For every person who comes to the National Motocross Series, U.S. Tobacco will contribute 33 cents per person at every round to the **Clayton Foundation**, an organization that assists injured motorcyclists with their hospital bills. At Hangtown 23,745 spectators clung to the rolling hillsides of Northern California, giving the Clayton Foundation a total of $7915. At the end of the series, the mininum total that the Clayton Foundation will recieve on behalf of U. S. Tobacco will be $75,000.

A special 15-minute, two-moto 80cc Pro class was run at Hangtown as a support class to the bigger bikes. Kawasaki-mounted **Dayton Beavers** came away with the overall win via a 3-1 moto tally. Second was Suzuki-mounted **Shane Bess** with 2-2, and third went to the Kawasaki of **Dylan Lord**, who raced to a 2-3 moto score. At the awards ceremony, **Doug Henry** awarded the young riders with their trophies and their checks. All three riders agreed that they would give half of their winnings to the **Brandon Layton Memorial Fund,** in honor of the mini racer who was killed in an accident this spring.

get up there, and to have something like that go wrong is not good."

Lusk was glad to capitalize on Button's crash and, with a sixth-place finish in the moto, came home third overall when the scores were tallied. At the finish, Lusk was followed by Lamson, Henry, Ferry and Ward, who rounded out the top 10.

Meanwhile, Emig was on a mission, and after many laps of trying, the two-time 250cc National Motocross Champion passed Windham to take over the lead with nearly 10 minutes remaining in the moto. Emig was never headed from the moment he made the pass to the checkered flag.

"The second moto, I got the start and I really just used my head," Emig said. "I know it's a long series, and I'm happy to get a moto win."

Windham was even happier, and rightly so. After breaking a collarbone during the supercross series and crashing out of the first moto last week at Glen Helen, the Honda pilot more than proved to all competitors that he can and will be a serious threat for the championship.

"My Honda is really working hard off the gate, and that was really my saving grace," Windham said. "It's been a little while since I've raced, and coming back, I'm a little bit off. I'm working really hard to get back into it. The starts were good, and that's half the ball game. Unfortunately, I wasn't the fastest one in either moto, but I was consistent, and that's what brought home the overall. I think the biggest thing is that I didn't hit the ground like last weekend. The only way I'm going to get the job done is to stay off the ground." **CN**

Prairie City SVRA Park
Sacramento, California
Results: May 16 1999 (Round 2 of 12)

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Carmichael hangs it out

Ricky Carmichael continued his quest for a third straight 125cc National Championship by finishing 2-1 on the day. In classic Carmichael fashion, he ran away with the second moto.

By Matt Freeman

SACRAMENTO, CA, MAY 16

FMF/Honda's Tallon Vohland started a war last weekend at Glen Helen Raceway during round one of the 125cc National Championship Motocross Series when he ran down and passed defending series champion Ricky Carmichael in the second moto to take the lead. Though the lead was short-lived due to a Vohland washout in a corner, the pass fired off a shot that was heard 'round the world of motocross.

As the series came to Vohland's stomping grounds of Northern California, the cards seemed to be stacked in Vohland's favor - even more so after he won the opening moto. But with pride at stake, SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki's Carmichael came back from a second-place finish in moto one to totally dominate the final moto, giving Vohland no chance at the win. The victory marks Carmichael's second in as many rounds.

"It's kind of a bummer that I didn't win the first moto, but the overall sure feels good," Carmichael said. "I would have liked to have gotten some more points. That's the way it goes."

Vohland, a seasoned veteran when it comes to racing, seemed equally as pleased with his second-place finish and his results thus far in the young series.

"I had a few close calls in the back section, and that scared me, but that goes to show how much I've matured," said Vohland, who became content with second place in moto two once he saw that Carmichael had built up a sizable lead. "When I was younger, I wouldn't be mature enough to go on and get my points like I did today. It was a hard fight. We were going about the same speed the whole way. I would have liked to have won here, but I won the first moto, and I'm looking forward to going to the next race. You just have to accept it in a moto when a guy is going better than you."

Finishing third overall and improving every week was Vohland's teammate Brock Sellards. Sellards put together a strong 5-4 moto tally to mark his best finish in a National ever. Fourth, with a score of 4-8, was Yamaha of Troy's Casey Johnson, who is still nursing a tender arm that was broken the first weekend of February.

"I'm recovering and getting better and better," Johnson said. "My arm bothers me a little bit. The first moto I can get through pretty good, but I seem to struggle the second moto."

Johnson did struggle in the second moto, falling from third at the start to eighth.

"The track was so rough, and I was kind of holding on too tight," Johnson said after the second moto. "My arms were pumping both motos, and the second moto I just kind of ran out of steam. I started fading back a little bit."

Regardless, Johnson put in a brave effort ahead of fifth-placed Planet Honda/Pro Grip rider Jason McCormick, who turned his day around when he went from 11th in the first moto to third in the second. Rounding out the top 10 were FMF/Honda's Danny Smith (6-6), SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki's Nick Wey (9-5) and Nathan Ramsey (7-7), Primal Impulse Suzuki/Bill's Pipes' Michael Brandes (3-14), and SplitFire/Pro Circuit/Kawasaki's Scott Sheak.

MOTO ONE

The privateer Yamaha of Carlo Coen came out swinging with the holeshot, followed closely by Sellards, Yamaha of Troy's Casey Lytle, Johnson, Primal Impulse Suzuki/Bill's Pipes' David Pingree, Vohland and Brandes. Before the race was a lap old, Pingree went down, finishing his day with a possibly broken collarbone.

Meanwhile, Sellards worked his way to the front past Coen, who dropped back to 25th by moto's end.

"I hung in there for 2 1/2 laps," Sellards said of his lead. "I got a little nervous. I don't think I have ever led an outdoor for that long - maybe for a turn or two. Then a couple guys got past me and I started relaxing. Casey (Johnson) passed me, and I stayed with him."

The first rider to pass Sellards was Vohland, followed by Carmichael a lap later.

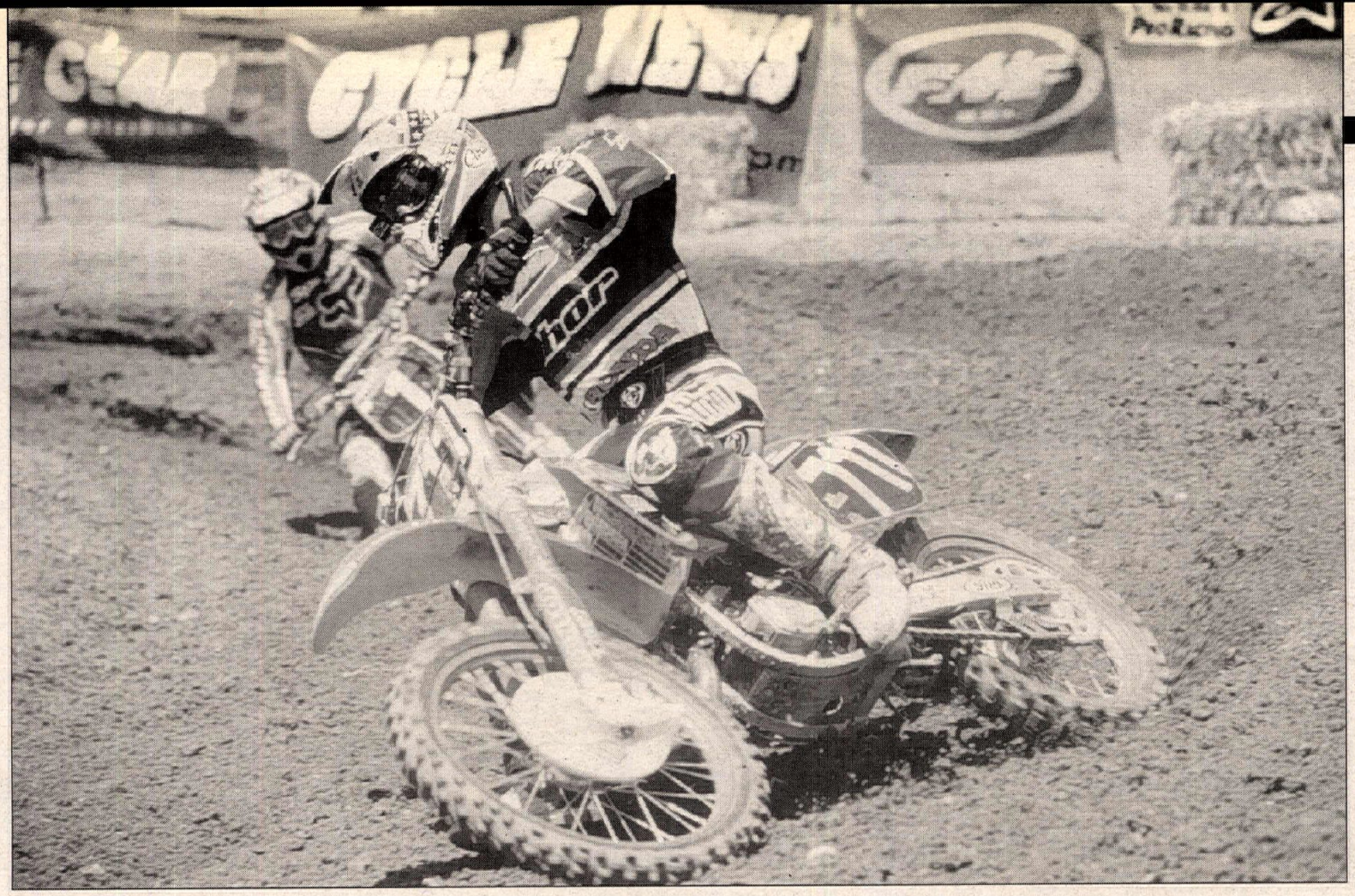
"I didn't know where Ricky (Carmichael) was, but after half the race, I realized it was him," said Vohland about the awesome race for the lead. "Then I just rode my race, and rode strong and smooth. Every time he rode a little faster, I picked up my speed and went a little faster, too."

Even Carmichael admitted to riding Vohland's race instead of his own.

"I just got tense," Carmichael said. "Once I passed Brock (Sellards), I got tight and rode Vohland's race and not mine. My lap times even slowed down. I didn't have a problem catching him, but I rode his race, not mine."

Before Johnson could make his way through the pack, Brandes passed Sellards to take over third. Johnson followed, passing Sellards a few laps later.

"The first lap it was real slippery, so I came out kind of cautious and my teammate Casey Lytle got around me," Johnson said about his first couple of laps. "He was kind of hard to pass because he had all the same lines as I did from practice, because we rode together. I relaxed a little bit too much and a couple guys got around me, like Tallon (Vohland) and Ricky (Carmichael) and Brandes, but once I got going and passed Lytle, I felt pretty good. All the guys up front were already gone, and they were run-



(Left) Hometown hero Tallon Vohland leads Carmichael en route to his first moto win. Vohland's second place finish in moto two garnered the 27-year-old rider second overall. (Below) A sixth-place finish last week at Glen Helen was Brock Sellards' best National outdoor finish ever, until he came to Hangtown and finished 5-4 to claim third.

ning such a fast pace. They pretty much said adios to me."

Johnson ended up finishing fourth in the moto, followed by Sellards. Smith, Ramsey, Antunez, Wey and Sheak rounded out the top 10.

MOTO TWO

As he did so many times before in the supercross season, Yamaha of Troy's Casey Lytle grabbed the holeshot, with Johnson, Coen, Carmichael, McCormick, Vohland and Ramsey in tow. Sellards did not get the start he was looking for in moto two.

"I spun real bad coming out of the gate and as soon as I caught the dirt, I wheelied," Sellards said. "My bike pulled really good up the hill, though."

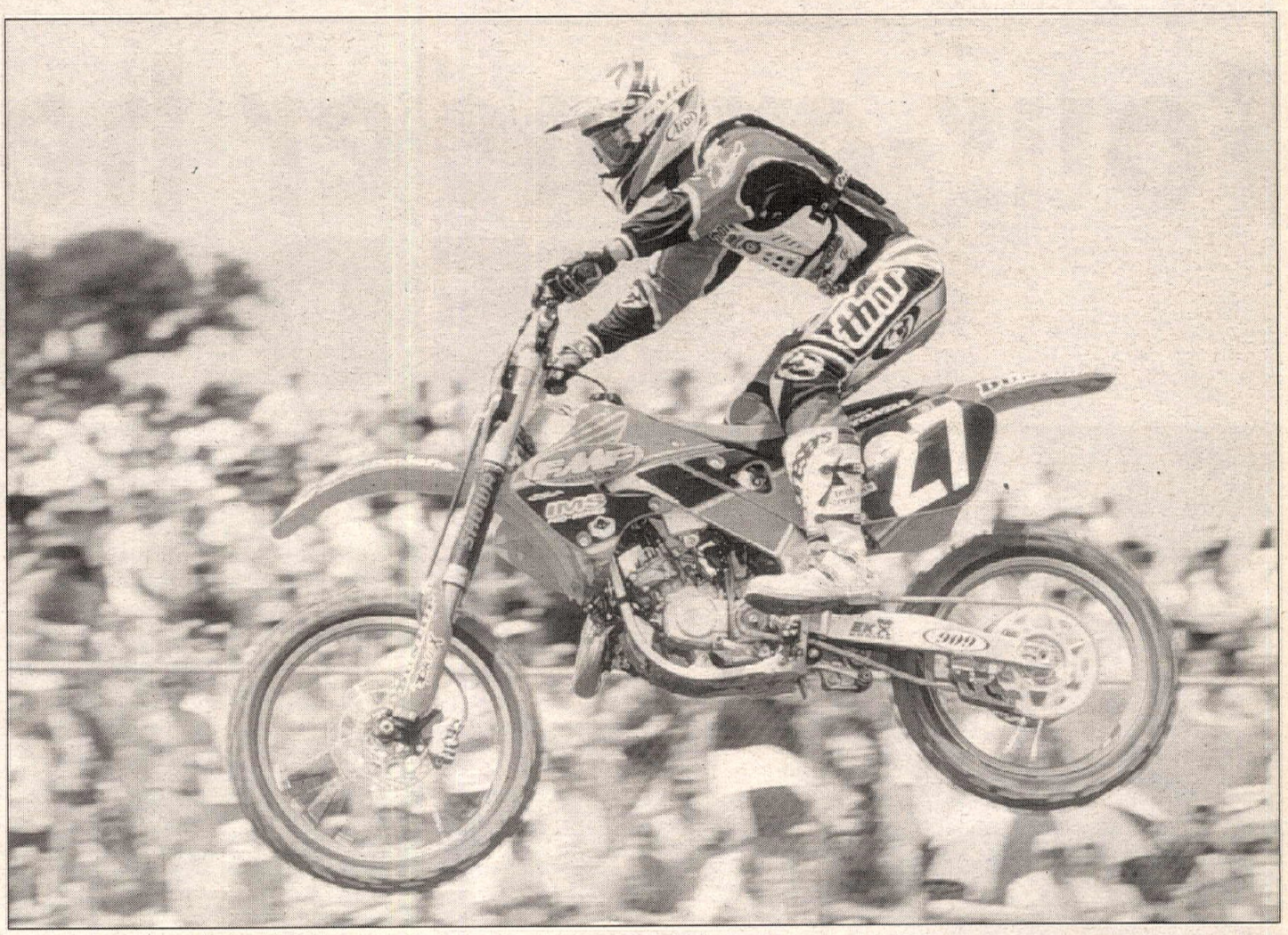
It was not long before Sellards moved up into the front five. Carmichael moved up quickest, however, knifing through the lead trio on the first lap to find himself up front. It took Vohland an entire extra lap to get around Lytle and Johnson, and that was all the time Carmichael needed to open up a lead that was insurmountable.

Vohland was not the only rider to pass the Yamaha of Troy duo of Johnson and Lytle. Both riders fell down the ranks as the moto went on. McCormick was the first to go by, but not without a tangle or two with Sellards.

"I was battling with McCormick at the beginning, and he was just flying," Sellards said. "I was just hanging tight for a long time and trying to stay loose. I reeled Casey Johnson back in, and then I started catching Ramsey, and he had a front end slide out on him, and I barely got him. We were just throwing out a battle with like a lap and a half left. I didn't hear him after that sweeper, and I sure was glad, because it was tough riding that hard at the end of the race."

After Ramsey went down, Wey and Danny Smith went by, pushing the 125cc Western Regional Supercross champ back to seventh in the moto. The three riders finished in the same order when the checkered flag came out. Johnson, Lytle and Sheak rounded out the top 10 in the moto.

Even though the second moto was a Carmichael runaway, Vohland has proved that he is up to task, and his back-to-back second-overall finishes leave him 13 points behind Carmichael with 10 rounds to go.



"Sometimes you just have to let them go," Vohland said about Carmichael's second-moto routing of the competition. "I made some mistakes out there that kind of scared me, but I just accepted it and said, 'Okay, I'll just take my points and go on to the next race.' Last time I was at Mount Morris, in 1990, I got second to Jean-Michael Bayle on a KX125." CN

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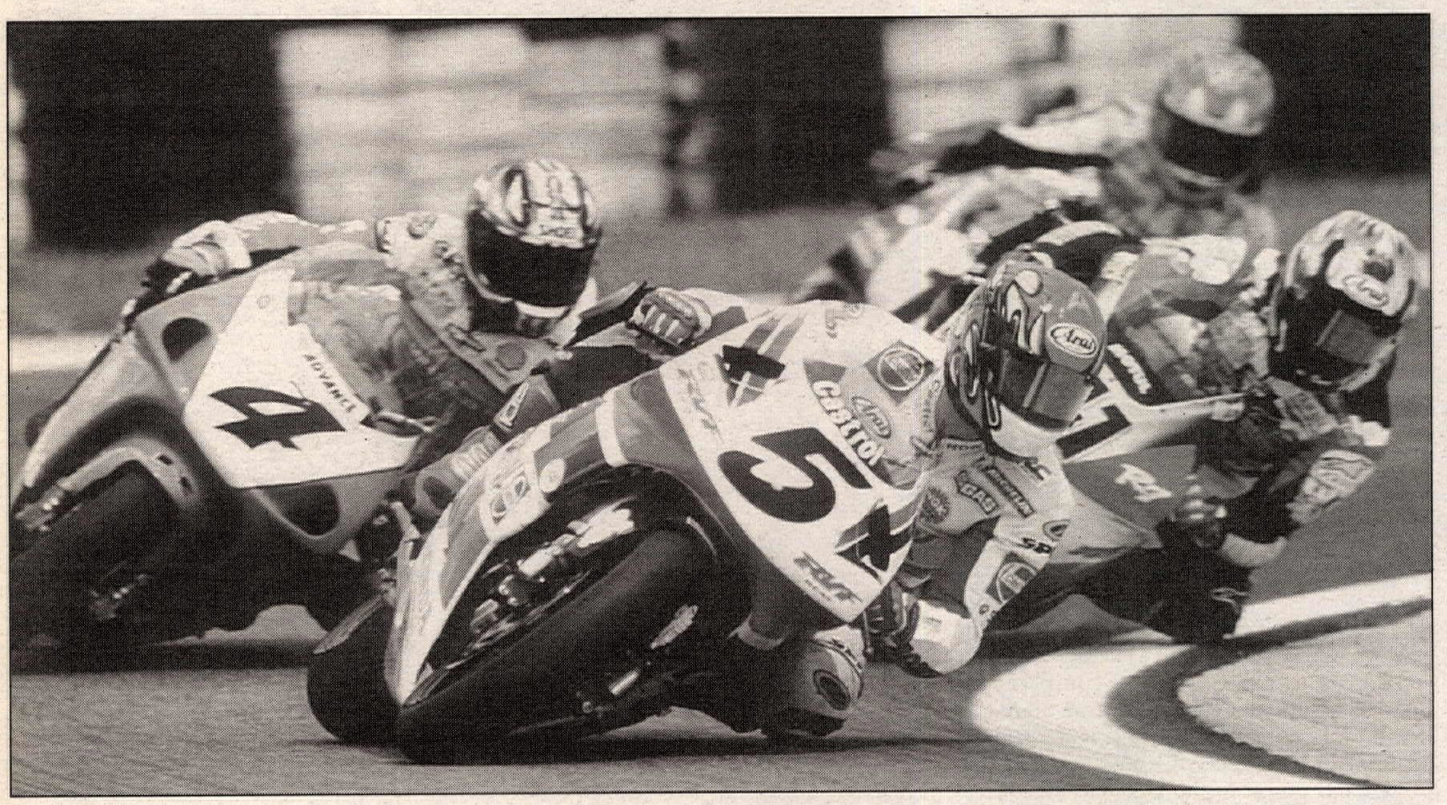

(Above) Noriyuki Haga (41) leads Akira Yanagawa (4) in their battle for the race-one victory in the World Superbike race in Albacete, Spain. The win went to Haga. (Left) The second race saw a battle between Colin Edwards II (5), Yanagawa (4) and Haga (41). Edwards won when Haga retired from the lead with mechanical probems.

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ALBACETE, SPAIN, MAY 16

Any lingering doubts as to the competitiveness of the top Japanese works teams in this year's World Superbike Championship were quashed after Yamaha's Noriyuki Haga and Castrol Honda's Colin Edwards II scored a win apiece at the twisty Albacete circuit in southeast Spain.

In an incident-packed meeting, injuries, crashes and breakdowns made themselves felt with alarming regularity, with many of the top riders suffering reversals of fortune.

Troy Corser, already injured from a practice crash, was reduced to the level of a bit-part player in both races. A ruptured fuel hose in race one meant a start from pit lane on his spare bike, netting him a seventh-place finish after a hard fight through the field. Race two was almost as bad, with Corser struggling with suspected stretched and snapped shoulder tendons; he netted sixth.

Fellow walking-wounded man Aaron Slight was in a similar predicament.

"When I got here on Thursday, I didn't even know if I could ride or not, so to get fourth and seventh is a massive boost for me," Slight said at the end of the day.

Slight's atrociously damaged finger, a legacy of his Donington Park crashes, stopped him from making his usual impact in either race.

That honor was left to Haga, the Japanese rider giving Yamaha its first R7 race victory of the year, but only after holding off a determined Akira Yanagawa and a fading Carl Fogarty.

"I am very happy to win this race with the new bike, especially as we have got a lot of races to go," Haga said after his race-one victory. "For the bike to be working so well at this stage, I am very pleased."

He was equally nice after race two, when his triumphantly rapid and sweet-handling R7 turned into a stationary one after his engine stopped.

Yanagawa was particularly impressive on his Dunlops, attacking at every opportunity but unable to make progress because of his spinning rear tire.

"I tried many times to pass Haga, but I could not," Yanagawa said. "Many times, I was spinning the rear tire. At the beginning of the race, I tried to save my tire, but it didn't make any difference."

Edwards, a hot favorite for at least one race win, had to wait until race two for it to come; in the opener, after running off the track, he retired on lap two while dicing with the pack.

"I felt I could have done the double

today, and after the disappointment of that one, I knew I had to win that second one," he said.

His mysterious stoppage was attributed to an electrical problem, but the smart money (and the terrible-sounding engine when Edwards came down pit lane) places the blame on a broken engine.

Fogarty made up the last of the podium men, fizzing with anger after the first-race result when he complained of a lack of grip and severe back pain.

"I was losing the front, losing the rear, and my back was killing me," he said. "Apart from that, it was fine. The other two (Haga and Yanagawa) could open the throttle coming out of corners and go, but I had to wait until I was almost upright."

Following the podium men was a chore performed with fighting relish by Slight, Pier-Francesco Chili and Gregorio Lavilla in race one, and Lavilla and Chili in race two.

"We need a little bit power," Chili said. "The tires were not okay but coming better. We need to work on the profile of the tires to help us."

Lavilla was just happy to finish two races after no fewer than four nonfinishes in a row.

"I was pushing harder in this race because the result in race one made me more relax a little," he said. "In race one, I was too careful because I wanted to make sure I finished. The fans cheering me on helped a lot today."

Corser was almost philosophical about his misfortunes of the weekend, especially as he dropped points to his number-one title challenger and Ducati teammate - Fogarty.

"I had to change direction with my legs on the tank today rather than the bars, and you're nonstop working all the time," Corser said. "Every time I tried to use my arm a lot, I just got pain. Today, that's the best I could do."

The superbike-rookie club had a decent day in Spain, with Katsuaki Fujiwara and his Alstare Suzuki taking two eighths and Yamaha's Vittoriano Guareschi making good use of his Supersport lap-record-holding pace in Albacete to take both ninth-place finishes.

Monotony was the order of the day in the lower reaches of the top 10, with Peter Goddard taking a pair of 10ths to give hope to the Aprilia factory after four nonfinishes.

"I was just glad to get two finishes today," the Australian said. "I had a lot of clutch-engaging-and-disengaging problems in the first race."

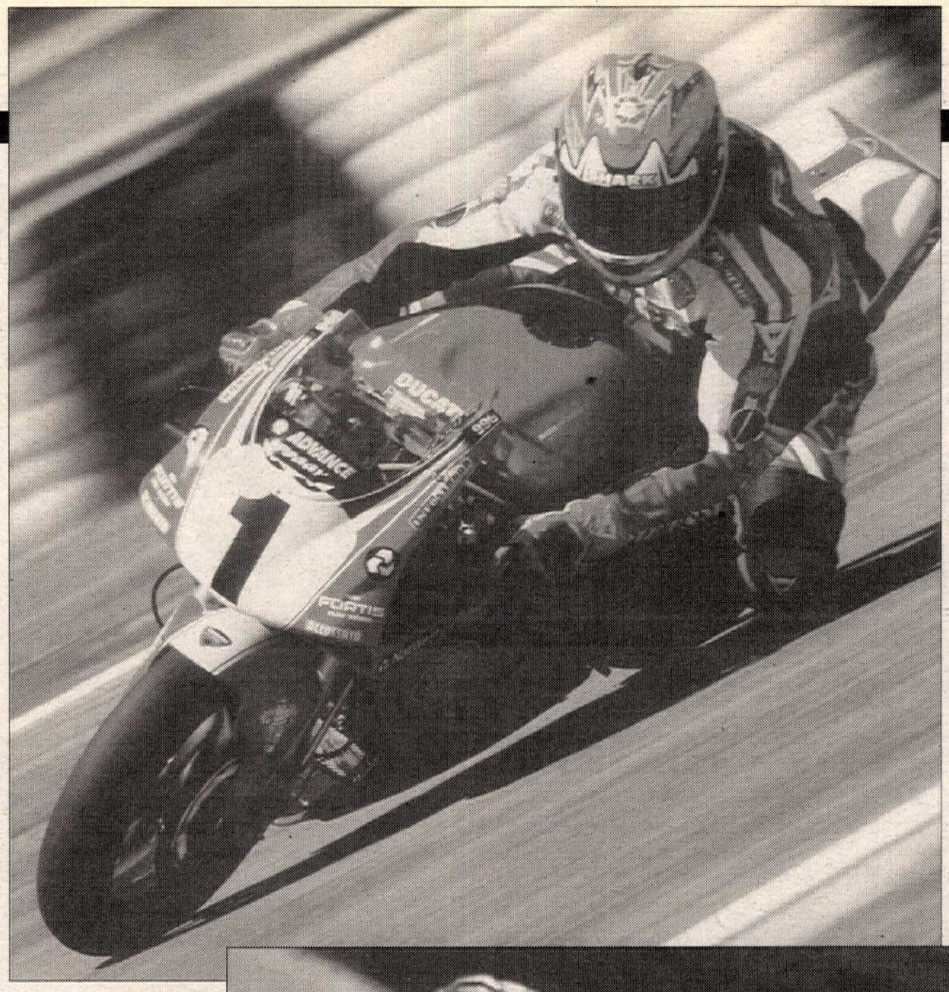
Austrian Andy Meklau overcame the problems he experienced in practice to stick his Ducati into 12th and 11th places.

Fogarty's pair of podiums and Corser's sixth and seventh has stretched the current World Champion's lead at the top of the table to 36 points, putting Corser under real pressure to win races at Fogarty's expense.

Perhaps more significant is the creeping menace of Edwards, whom Fogarty could do nothing about today, and the number-one plate holder may well find the Texan even a more unappetizing morsel on the Honda speed-bowl of Monza.

But that is in the future.

With one win apiece, Haga and Edwards have underlined their abilities in no uncertain fashion, the only shame being that we were all robbed of the chance to see what could have been an epic battle between the two in the closing stages of the races because of their nonfinishes.



(Above) Carl Fogarty may not have won a race in Spain, but he was the real winner when it came to the World Superbike Championship, as he further padded his points lead. (Right) Peter Goddard (9) tries to hold off the luckless Troy Corser (11) in the first race. Corser had to start on a backup bike from pit lane when his Ducati failed him on the warmup lap.

No matter - entertainment was had by all, even with a pathetic crowd figure of an estimated 4000. But that was to be expected when you hold a World Superbike race in two-stroke-soaked Spain - just a week after the must-see Spanish Grand Prix at Jerez.

RACE ONE

If you were given the task of designing a race track for the all new Yamaha R7 to shine on, you could do worse than copy Albacete. With no overlong straights and big rewards given to sweet handling and aggressive rider input, Albacete was always going to be the best of the bunch for Haga.

A great Superpole ride and a front-row start saw him into third at the first corner, behind Edwards and Yanagawa, but drama was already developing in pit lane. Already injured, Troy Corser's Ducati insulted the Aussie further by snapping a fuel line on the warmup lap, forcing Corser to start from pit lane and hit the first corner dead last.

At the front, both Japanese riders, ignorant of Corser's woes, were well up for the fight, with Yanagawa and Haga slotting ahead of Edwards. Haga ended up doing a number on his countryman to lead at the end of the first lap, with the ever-improving, Dunlop-shod Suzuki of Chili charging into third, ahead of Edwards, Fogarty and Slight.

Fogarty overtook Edwards just before fate decided to foil the Texan, putting him out of the race with a sick motor on lap two.

By now it looked like the rising sons were away over the horizon and gone, especially as Yanagawa had put in a new lap record of 1:31.592 (which would survive the day) on the second lap. But with Chili trailing him all the way, Fogarty got his stubborn head down and overcame any of his Ducati's relative deficiencies at such a twisty track to hang on to their coattails (if not their slipstream) and eventually overcome the eight-tenths-of-a-second gap.

A much bigger margin separated an aggressive-looking Katsuaki Fujiwara's Suzuki from Vittoriano Guareschi's Yamaha as the leading freight train pulled away from the pursuing melee - a pack that included Peter Goddard on the Aprilia, Igor Jerman and Robert Ulm on privateer Kawasakis, and former GP star Alex Gramigni on a privateer Yamaha.

With Foggy shaving milliseconds off the leader's advantage, he drew inexorably away from Chili, but arguably the ride of the race was being put in by Corser, who was up to 10th on lap seven. By this time, his fellow Ducati riders Jiri Myrkyvka and Lance Isaacs became the last riders not to finish after crashing out - Isaacs so hard that he missed race two.

The first backmarker was encountered on lap 10, by which time Slight, with a superhuman effort of will, had worked his way up to and then past Chili to fourth - 3.7 seconds down on Foggy.

By now there were two groups of three at the front - Haga, Yanagawa and Fogarty; Slight, Chili and a refreshed Lavilla - then a big gap back to Fujiwara and Corser. The latter had finally overcome Goddard and almost instantly gapped him by 1.5 seconds.

To to the victors go the spoils. (Above) Haga celebrates his race-one victory.
(Left) Edwards does a stoppie to celebrate his race-two win - his second race win of the season.

On lap 20, Fogarty was obviously unable to have any say in the Japanese civil war, but Yanagawa's frequent attacks looked like they may have some ultimate success right up until the very last lap - especially when Haga was balked by backmarker Vladimir Karban on lap 24 of the 26.

But Haga hadn't come this far to fail at the last minute, and he maintained his half-second advantage at the flag, with Fogarty a safe six seconds back.

Slight, hero number one, took an unimaginable fourth, after a short drag race to the line with Chili and Lavilla.

Hero number two, Troy Corser, only just beat Fujiwara over the line, with Guareschi finally getting the better of Goddard's clutch- and EFI-troubled Aprilia.

Drama, heroism and Haga in full flight. What more could you want? Well...

RACE TWO

With none of the pit-lane start melodramas of race one, it was left to the racing itself to provide all the thrills in race two with the usual race-one suspects joined by a re-motored Edwards.

Yanagawa was the first to lead, making it stick for five laps despite some early attention from Haga and then Fogarty. The first-lap order was Yanagawa, Haga, Fogarty, Edwards, Slight, Corser and Slight, but it went through virtually a complete reshuffle on the following lap as Edwards started a charge to the front and Haga lost two places in one lap.

Lap four brought on one of the more significant developments when the escaped hospital patients, Corser and Slight, swapped places, allowing Slight to hold up a whole freight train of riders as Corser dropped back from fifth to eighth, behind Lavilla and Chili. Both the Spaniard and the Italian eventually overcame the Kiwi, but not until halfway through the race, by which time the leading four had not only gapped them by a small but insurmountable margin, but had suddenly become three when Haga hit engine problems and retired on lap 11.

Until then it looked like it would be a double for the gloriously exuberant riding style of Haga, who was once more finding drive from his wheelspin and adhesion in the slide. But it all came to nothing.

Haga's exit left the way clear for the V-four power and (relative) traction of Edwards' Honda, with Yanagawa and Fogarty in very close attendance. The lap charts show no change in the top three from lap 12 onward, but that cold statistic does no justice to the high-speed poker game being played by three desperate riders, betting on their tires as well as their own abilities to win the final hand.

The odd joker got in the way as usual, what with Carlos Macias posing a mobile chicane to the leaders twice, and another four riders getting in the way at some stage - most noticeably final-point scorer Lucio Pedercini, who got tangled up with the fight for the win on the very last lap.

It was, as it seemed to be fated, Edwards' race, with Yanagawa second.

"I didn't get a great start in the second race, and once I got by a few riders, Haga was gone," Edwards said. "He was pulling away from me and there was nothing I could do about it. Once he went out, it was cat-and-mouse between me and Yanagawa. In the last few laps, I didn't just hear him, I could feel him."

Briefly...

Despite all of the riders making it around the first corner for about the first time in living memory, the Supersport race at Albacete threw up the usual assortment of dramatic moments. World Championship leader Iain MacPherson suffered the anguish of hearing his Kawasaki's engine go dead on lap eight, just after he had begun to reassert himself in third place after dropping to fifth at one point. Another top rider to not see the checkered flag was Paolo Casoli, with no one to blame but himself after crashing his Ducati Performance 748 in turn one immediately after taking the lead. The experienced head-and-throttle-hand combination of front-row qualifier Piergiorgio Bontempi got the holeshot, and he kept his lead every time over the start-and-finish line until Casoli's short-lived moment of glory, and then again until another Yamaha R6 man, **Jorg Teuchert** from the Yamaha Deutschland team, used all his youthful exuberance and skill to take the lead at the halfway point. Teuchert ended up giving Yamaha its second World Supersport victory in as many weeks, and their first one-two finish. "That was the hardest race I ever did," said a triumphant Teuchert. "It was so long in the front, with Bontempi directly behind me, and I think his bike was a little bit faster than mine on the straights. It was very hot and the tires were sliding and sliding at the end - but I knew I could win." Pere Riba put his Castrol Honda CBR600 and his local knowledge to seriously good use to give Honda its first Supersport podium of the year. Eighth at one stage, Riba tucked into his task with relish, blitzing Guareschi's old lap record with a 1:35.618 mark on lap eight.

Friday at Albacete could have been rechristened **Kawasaki Day** after the awesome performance of all three Team Green riders. Gregorio Lavilla made a good start to his home race with provisional pole, challenged only by his teammate Akira Yanagawa. In the Supersport scene, Iain MacPherson continued his good form with provisional pole as well, giving the Eckl squad a real boost after their recent Dunlop tests at Cartagena.

The short straights at Albacete allowed the **Ducati Performance boys** to use smaller 290mm discs on their fronts, trading off a little outright braking power for a reduction in centrifugal force.

Carl Fogarty suffered a crash in the last five minutes of final qualifying. He was unhurt, but he lost the chance to overhaul Colin Edwards II at the head of the practice table. "I fell off at the hairpin, after I'd passed the middle part of the corner," Fogarty said. "It was a silly little crash. I felt like someone was pushing the rear of the bike and I just fell over. I had gone from doing virtually the whole session on a 17-inch rear and jumped on the other bike with a 16.5-inch. I think that's what pushed me in too fast somehow and put the front down. At the moment I'm going better on the 17-inch tires, and when we put the 16.5 in just there, it felt heavy. I didn't like it. But at the last two rounds, I've used the 16.5s anyway."

Carl Fogarty swept to his first pole position in four seasons at Albacete, taking him to a total of **18 poles**, equaling Troy Corser's record, set only a month before at Phillip Island. "Everyone keeps reminding me that it's been four years since I had my last pole position, so at least it'll shut everybody up at long last," Fogarty said. "Superpole is something that I struggled with all year really badly, and I sorted it out this year during winter testing. I promised myself that I would qualify a lot better now, and so far I've had one pole and three seconds. I'm a bit embarrassed to be on pole. I'm not a pole man. I'd probably be happier somewhere else on the front row, to be honest." His time of 1:31.457 was better than any he set in four hours of regular qualifying.

Troy Corser found himself stuck behind Colombian rider Carlos Macias in final qualifying, which frustrated him to the point where he cut off his fellow Ducati rider's front wheel when he finally barged past. The incident had echoes of Corser's bitter attack on the slow wild-card riders at Phillip Island. Macias is a little different from the ordinary wild-card rider, though, as he is entered for a full series, ensuring that Corser and company will have more fun and games for the whole year.

Doriano Romboni, as frequent a crasher in World Superbikes as he was in GP racing, brought out the red flag in final qualifying when he fell in the fast first corner. His high-speed trajectory took him and his bike across a veritable desert of runoff sand and into the tire wall. Both rider and bike hit hard, with "Rambo" lying by the track for quite a while before expert medical attention was forthcoming. His bike was even less lucky, smacking into the tire wall so fast it deformed the bottom rung of the Armco barrier. Despite qualifying for Superpole, Romboni was unfit to compete, making it a 15-rider event. He subsequently missed the race.

Local news reports confirmed a long-held rumor that this would probably be **Albacete's last-ever World Superbike race**. Never a well-attended race, the event was kept alive because of the positive impact on the Albacete economy, what with all the teams and backup crews (sometimes outnumbering the spectators...) keeping the local hoteliers busy. Jarama is expected to be the replacement venue. It is understood that even if the negative influence of Dorna (who have opposed any move to any of Spain's GP circuits) were not present, the circuits themselves are not keen on running what they see as "second division" events. Carl Fogarty is one who will miss Albacete if it does go the way of all things. "It's only Assen that I've won more races at, so it's a special place for me," he said. "It's a fun circuit, flat and lots of corners. It will be a shame to lose it, but these things happen."

Aaron Slight's Donington finger injury, sustained during his second-race coming-together with teammate Colin Edwards II, severely hampered his progress at Albacete. The gash along the entire length of the inside of his right little finger is the least of his worries. He has broken an already-fused-together knuckle at the top and has literally smashed the middle bone on his finger. "Like you had hit a piece of bamboo with a hammer," said one graphically exact team member. Slight himself was equally candid about his mangled digit. "My finger was screwed anyway, because I had a bone graft from my forearm to my finger before. When

Third went to Fogarty, somewhat disgruntled but a more emphatic championship leader.

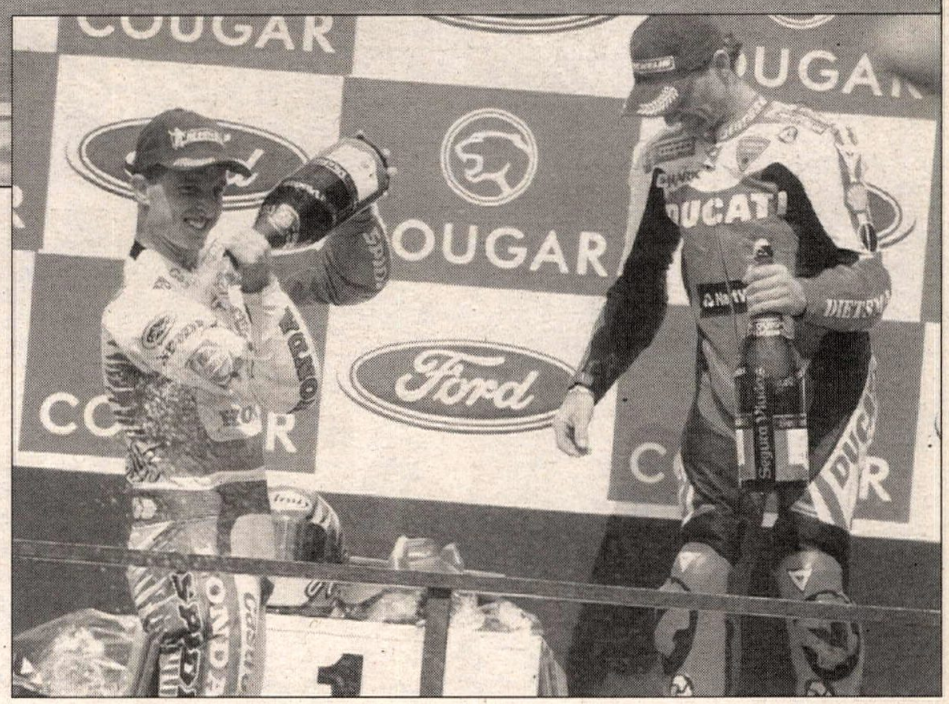
"I ran a 17-inch in the first race and I did some very good lap times, but when it went off, it was very bad," Fogarty said. "So I went to 16.5 and it was more consistent through the whole race and let me keep the same lap times. It was a hell of a hard race out there today. I could see where I was losing out, but there wasn't much I could do about it. I think we're a lot closer to the Hondas in terms of pace, so we won't go to Monza as favorites, but who knows?"

Behind them, Lavilla and Chili had taken command of the Corser/Slight situation and battled away until the final flag, when Lavilla, loosened up from his first-race tension, beat the Italian for fourth by just two-tenths of a second.

Corser, having got the better of Slight on lap 20 of 26, headed him home by almost two seconds, with Fujiwara snapping at Slight's exhausted heels.

"Here, it's constant flipping from side to side, lots of braking," Corser said. "I felt really lazy and slow in the chicanes - because I couldn't pull the bike over with my arm. I've not broken any bones, but I've torn all the ligaments from my chest back to the shoulder away. The first race was a fuel line and I had my work cut out today. I've got a couple of weeks now to heal for Monza. I'm supposed to be going testing, but I'm trying to cancel that if I can. The Hondas are going to be hard to beat there. I was riding with Aaron (Slight) a lot of the second race. I couldn't get past him. He was parking it in the corner and just blocking and leaving nowhere to go except around the outside. I followed him for loads of laps and could only get him at one corner. He's not dirty. He just uses defensive lines and, around here, if you block the line, you don't get past. When I got in front of him, I could see he was definitely holding me up, even though my shoulder was holding me up. He's injured as well, so I guess he's just trying to get as many points as possible. It was one of those weekends."

Guareschi again held off Goddard, who was under severe pressure in the final laps from Andy Meklau and Igor Jerman. Ulm, Gramigni and Pedercini stole the last points, with 19 finishers and only Haga off the time sheets. **CN**



(Above) Jorg Teuchert (21) won the World Supersport race, topping Piergiorgio Bontempi (7) and Pere Riba (17).
(Right) Colin Edwards II sprays the bubbly after winning race two. He's joined by World Champion Carl Fogarty.

Colin knocked me off, I shattered it to pulp. It's a real problem around here, because of the hard braking everywhere."

Honda's legendary reputation for exactness in all things has prompted the use this season of a special **fake wheel hub**, complete with fake disc brakes. Used when the wheels are away to the Michelin fitters for fresh rubber, the spacers align all the brake pad surfaces and pistons exactly where they were designed to be during brake bleeding.

Aprilia and Kawasaki attended **Dunlop tests** at Cartagena on the Monday and Tuesday preceding Albacete, trying new tires as well as gaining more valuable track time. Peter Goddard was looking for a tire that would work in greater harmony. "One construction of rear tire keeps trying to chuck me off in practice, but the race version is okay," he said. Harald Eckl, boss of Team Kawasaki, felt that the tests were of benefit to his riders. "We used this opportunity to help with the setup at Albacete, because the nature of the track is quite similar," Eckl said. "Also, we sorted out some tires. I was quite happy to go to the test, even if Akira (Yanagawa) ended up banging his head a little. We had to end the test a little early because of that, but whatever happens in the race, it was worth it to everyone, as it helped the riders put in really strong performances in practice."

The **high temperatures** experienced over two days of practice at Albacete took a toll on both bikes and riders. With track-surface temperatures around 120 degrees and air temperature hitting a maximum of 95 degrees, tires were the big deal, but stamina-sapping temperatures had their effect on the riders, too. Carl Fogarty was one who found the heat a major inconvenience. "It's so hot, and your concentration is not as good when it's hot. Especially when you come back in from the track, don't get the chance to cool down, but still have to communicate with the team in a hurry before you go back out."

In a strange twist of irony, the TV service and cameramen at Albacete were provided by... **Dorna** - GP rights holders. As one Spanish journalist said, "If you want to make a sports event from Spain involving motorcycles, Dorna is the logical choice."

A lack of communication between the Albacete circuit and the WSB organizers meant **no programs** for the spectators at Albacete. Some circuits are allowed to produce there own, but it appears that Albacete was due to make their own and somehow forgot.

With **Colin Edwards II** heading up the first untimed practice session - and after such strong rides at Donington in the previous round - Davide Tardozzi was heard to greet a visitor to the Ducati pit - Steve Whitelock, FIM technical referee - with the jocular statement: "You know, I really think those Hondas have got an unfair advantage over us; maybe we should limit them somehow..." The voices which have been raised in anger at the Ducatis' early-season performances have grown strangely quiet of late.

Ducati's team technical director, **Corrado Cecchinelli**, confirmed that tire choice at Albacete was a two-stage affair because of the cooler mornings and the blazing afternoons. "You have to ignore what you do in the morning because the temperature changes so much. That's why we spend so much time in the afternoon searching for and testing race tires." He also confirmed that his bikes are versatile beasts. "Because of the many corners at this track, you do not need too much horsepower or stability, but you need easy handling and good power delivery - or at least that's the theory - because actually we didn't change too much between here and Donington."

Troy Corser survived a very high-speed get-off with a bruised shoulder after trying a 17-inch tire near the end of the final untimed session. He was on lap four of a 15-lap endurance test when he crashed on the fast last corner before the finish straight. Despite his sore shoulder, Corser hung on to a second-row grid position. As Corser was consigned to his motorhome, Davide Tardozzi spoke on his behalf. "He is a bit worried for tomorrow because he starts from the second row. It was not so easy for him to jump on the bike after such a big crash only half an hour before. He did a very good job to keep himself on the second row." Later, Corser spoke for himself. "I wanted to take part in Superpole anyway, even though I was in pain, and I'm happy that I can start in the first couple of rows. It's been difficult working here: Often the information we got from the morning session was no good for the afternoon due to the change in temperature."

In a commendable spirit of **paddock solidarity**, the entire contingent of sidecar-racing humanity was invited over to the Castrol Honda hospitality unit to meet all the top Superbike team managers. Instigated by Castrol Honda team manager Neil Tuxworth and press officer Chris Herring, it was an attempt to make their new bedfellows welcome, as this year is only the start of a four-year World Superbike/Sidecar relationship. **Steve Webster** was especially pleased, having been treated as an outcast throughout his 15-year GP career. "It was quite touching, really, because what it meant to me was that the people involved in managing the top superbike teams are not unapproachable like the top GP team guys were," Webster said. "Everybody seems to have their feet on the ground here, even though it is a big-money business. It's just nice to be not just in the paddock, but accepted in the paddock. For them to do that for us was fantastic. All the lads were really pleased."

Steve Webster held off countryman Steve Abbott and Austrian Klaus Klaffenbock to record his second sidecar win of the season, after an unfortunate incident halted the race and sent Dutchman Benny Janssen to the hospital with a suspected broken ankle. The accident, after Jorg Steinhausen had spun while being overtaken, brought out the red flag, giving Webster the win. Webster's turn of luck came after one of the most entertaining races of the year, with Webster, Abbott and Klaffenbock separated by no more than .813 of a second at the flag. The race was shortened by seven laps from its planned 26, with no restart required. Webster's win takes him to second in the championship point standings, with Abbott first - six points clear of Webster and 20 points ahead of Klaffenbock.

Albacete Circuit
Albacete, Spain
Results: May 16, 1999 (Round 4 of 13)

S/BK QUALIFYING: 1. Carl Fogarty (1:31.457); 2. Colin Edwards II (1:31.739); 3. Norikyuki Haga (1:31.930); 4. Akira Yanagawa (1:31.978); 5. Pier-Francesco Chili (1:32.213); 6. Gregorio Lavilla (1:32.275); 7. Aaron Slight (1:32.338); 8. Troy Corser (1:32.876); 9. Katsuaki Fujiwara (1:32.883); 10. Igor Jerman (1:33.144); 11. Vittoriano Guareschi (1:33.210); 12. Robert Ulm (1:33.543); 13. Peter Goddard (1:33.652); 14. Alessandro Gramigni (1:34.301); 15. Lucio Pedercini (1:34.969); 16. Andreas Meklau (1:34.997); 17. Jean-Pierre Jeandat (1:35.510); 18. Lance Issacs (1:35.899); 19. J. Mrkyvka (1:37.714); 20. W. Karban (1:37.714); 21. Carlos Macias (1:40.147).

RACE ONE: 1. Noriyuki Haga (Yam); 2. Akira Yanagawa (Kaw); 3. Carl Fogarty (Duc); 4. Aaron Slight (Hon); 5. Pier-Francesco Chili (Suz); 6. Gregorio Lavilla (Kaw); 7. Troy Corser (Duc); 8. Katsuaki Fujiwara (Suz); 9. Vittoriano Guareschi (Yam); 10. Peter Goddard (Apr); 11. Igor Jerman (Kaw); 12. Andreas Meklau (Duc); 13. Robert Ulm (Kaw); 14. Alessandro Gramigni (Yam); 15. Lucio Pedercini (Duc); 16. Jean-Pierre Jeandat (Hon); 17. Carlos Macias (Duc); 18. W. Karban (Suz).
Time: 40 min., 9.482 sec.
Distance: 26 laps, 57.04 miles
Margin of victory: 0.498 sec.
Fastest lap: Akira Yanagawa, 1:31.592, Lap 2

RACE TWO: 1. Colin Edwards II (Hon); 2. Akira Yanagawa (Kaw); 3. Carl Fogarty (Duc); 4. Gregorio Lavilla (Kaw); 5. Pier-Francesco Chili (Suz); 6. Troy Corser (Duc); 7. Aaron Slight (Hon); 8. Katsuaki Fujiwara (Suz); 9. Vittoriano Guareschi (Yam); 10. Peter Goddard (Apr); 11. Andreas Meklau (Duc); 12. Igor Jerman (Kaw); 13. Robert Ulm (Kaw); 14. Alessandro Gramigni (Yam); 15. Lucio Pedercini (Duc); 16. Jean-Pierre Jeandat (Hon); 17. J. Mrkyvka (Duc); 18. W. Karban (Suz); 19. Carlos Macias (Duc).
Time: 40 min., 15.529 sec.
Distance: 26 laps, 57.04 miles
Margin of victory: 0.115 sec.
Fastest lap: Colin Edwards, 1:31.813, Lap 4.

WORLD SUPERBIKE CHAMPIONSHIP POINT STANDINGS (After 4 of 13 rounds): 1. Carl Fogarty (167/3 wins); 2. Troy Corser (131/2); 3. Colin Edwards II (122/2); 4. Akira Yanagawa (106); 5. Aaron Slight (104); 6. Noriyuki Haga (75/1); 7. Pier-Francesco Chili (53); 8. Katsuaki Fujiwara (48); 9. Doriano Romboni (44); 10. Gregorio Lavilla (41); 11. Vittoriano Guareschi (25); 12. (TIE) Andreas Meklau/Robert Ulm (23); 14. Peter Goddard (21); 15. John Reynolds (18).

Round 1: Czech Grand Prix

WORLD INDIVIDUAL SPEEDWAY CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Gollob gets the gate

By John Hipkiss

PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC, MAY 8

It was a night of mixed emotions for Americans Greg Hancock and Billy Hamill as the World Speedway Championship Grand Prix series kicked into life in Prague, Czech Republic.

Californians Hamill and Hancock, World Champions in 1996 and 1997 respectively, came into the meeting having launched a new partnership a week earlier which saw them adopt a new livery intended to shake up the sport's image.

But then the pair received a pre-meeting blow when their revolutionary fork cover, sporting a new aerodynamic shape, was given the thumbs-down by Grand Prix race director Ole Olsen, who claimed it needed modification before it would be allowed to be used in the Grand Prix.

Just 24 hours after that minor setback, the childhood friends experienced sharply contrasting emotions after one of the wettest Grand Prix rounds in the competition's four-year history. Hancock, a former protégé of two-time World Champion Bruce Penhall, ended the Prague event elated, as he made it back to the big time with a second-place finish behind Poland's Tomasz Gollob on a track made hazardous by rain which fell throughout the meeting. But Hamill, given a winter reprieve after missing a qualification slot for the '99 series, bowed out disappointingly early, and he now faces a mountain to climb if he is to regain the World Championship.

It was Hancock's first appearance on the Grand Prix rostrum since he became World Champion in Denmark in September 1997. His defense of the title went badly last year as he opened with an early departure from the first round and never found his feet. In Prague, he hit the boards running.

As a top-eight rider from 1998, Hancock started the Czech event later than Hamill, and in his opening ride he revealed his teeth, firmly holding on to his line as Swedish rider Henrik Gustafsson drifted slightly on the fourth turn. Hancock dived for the opportunity and held on to his line as Gustafsson buzzed around his outside. The rider from Balboa Island, California, knew the best way to cope with the deteriorating conditions was to hug the inside line.

On the first bend of lap two, Gustafsson tried an outside move, but there was no grip on the wide line and he fell, sliding - uninjured - into the fence. Hancock had settled for second, behind Gollob, when the Pole's bike slowed on the last lap, allowing Hancock to dart through for first place, which gave him a favorable inside start for heat 17.

Again, Hancock was in the right place at the right time. He was sitting on the inside line behind fast-starting Czech rider Antonin Kasper when Kasper became overexcited going into turn three. Kasper straightened up and headed toward the fence. He rescued the situation, but not in time to stop Hancock from sailing through to win and stake his place in the semifinals.

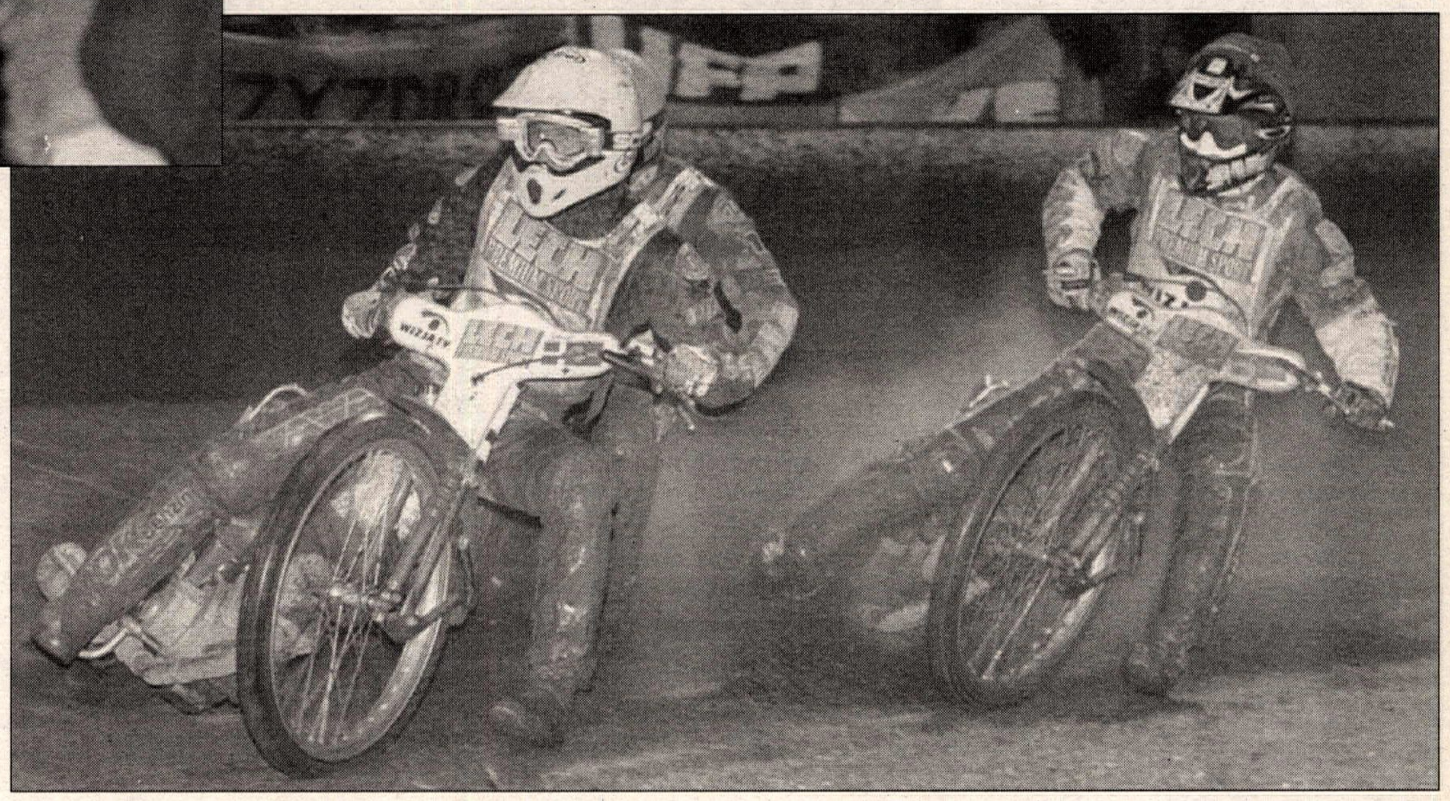
One race away from the crucial final, Hancock nestled in behind Gollob, who had soared around the outside from the start, to make sure of a place in the decider.

Hancock had gate two for the final and on his inside was Sweden's Jimmy Nilsen, who had won his three qualifying races convincingly from the starting gate and stayed clean while most of his rivals were covered in mud.

Gollob was on the outside grid, which

(Top) Tomasz Gollob (left) stole the start ahead of Greg Hancock (center), Jimmy Nilsen (right) and Jason Crump (hidden behind Gollob) and claimed the Czech GP win at Prague, round one of the World Individual Championship Speedway Series.
(Left) Former World Champion Billy Hamill suffered a horrible start in the 1999 GP Series, exiting the competition at Prague after just two rides. Hamill earned a mere two championship points for his troubles.

(Left) Reigning World Speedway Champion Tony Rickardsson suffered a controversial exclusion that prevented him from earning a place in the GP final. Like Hamill, Rickardsson must now do the chasing if he is to earn another title. (Above, from left to right) Runner-up Hancock, winner Gollob and third-placed Jason Crump share the podium spoils.
(Below) Danish destroyer: Multi-time World Champion Hans Nielsen had a mediocre bid at the Prague GP, scoring six points, but don't count him out. Nielsen is all but guaranteed to be a factor by season's end.



he had twice used to devastating effect in his previous races, and Australian Jason Crump completed the lineup. Hancock made a good start from his grid while Nilsen was stuck in the sludge at the line. But the American arrived at the corner just as Gollob had begun one of his stunning outside bursts. The Pole had built up a head of speed that Hancock was powerless to stop, and Hancock could do nothing but wait for a mistake from Gollob. It never came, but the relief for Hancock as he crossed the line in second was immeasurable.

Hancock is well-recognized as one of the world's most consistent riders, and Gollob has a reputation for losing his cool when it comes to the crunch. With Crump taking third and Nilsen finishing fourth, the finalists stole a march on their main rivals for the World title.

Defending World Champion Tony Rickardsson went out before the semi-finals after being controversially excluded for delaying the start of heat 19, and multi-time World number one Hans Nielsen went out after just two rides.

Hamill was also ranked among the contenders for the crown, but the 28-year-old from Monrovia, California, fell way behind in the order. He finished third in heat three after giving Danish rider Brian Andersen a run for his money on the first lap. But Hamill did not have the speed to catch Andersen, and that left Hamill to fight for survival in heat six, an eliminator race.

Britain's Andy Smith made the start and led into the fourth turn, but he went wide, and Hamill had a brief opportunity to follow Swedish rider Henka Gustafsson through the gap. Smith beat him to the next corner by a yard, and Hamill could make up no ground. He was left to fight off the attentions of Mario Jirout from the Czech Republic in the closing stages of the race for a third place which left him with just two Grand Prix points.

The early exit came as a major shock and was a hammer blow to Hamill, who had just been told there was a place for him in Coventry's British League team after being left on the sidelines for the opening months of the season.

Hamill had been keeping busy with commitments across Europe, but the regular competition in England should see him return to the form that has won him three Grand Prix events since 1995. The next round is at Linkoping, Sweden, on June 4, and Hamill's fans will be keeping their fingers crossed in the hope that he can repeat his 1996 Swedish GP victory at the same track, just as he did during his World Championship-winning season.

And certainly Hancock is a man on a mission to win the World Speedway Championship again. When the 28-year-old rider was closing in on his first World crown in 1997, he said the mark of a true champion was winning a second title, just like Hancock's childhood mentor Bruce Penhall. After a nervous defense of his title last season, Hancock is back among the main contenders, and he has vowed not make the same mistakes twice. Hancock slumped to sixth place in the 1998 series and was forced to fight for an automatic place in this year's competition, but his second placing on Saturday in Prague signaled his return to the form of a championship hopeful.

"I really got caught up in myself last year with the World Championship and everything around it," Hancock said. "It was a lot to come into. I was so excited, but I also knew everybody was gunning for me. Last year is a blur in my memory right now. I don't think I ever got into the groove. I feel bad saying that, because I was World Champion, but I want to win the World Championship again, and I can guarantee when I come to retain that title it is going to be a different story. I learned a lot last year, and it's the same old thing: You never stop learning; the day you do is the day you'd better call it quits."

The new race format that was introduced to last year's series caught Hancock unawares, but he was ready for it this time around, and he also stayed out of trouble on the soaked track.

"I rode the exact same line in every single race, apart from one lap, for the whole meeting," Hancock said. "I stayed on the inside, right on the groove, so I didn't get too much trouble and spray coming my way."

The next round in Sweden is less than a month away and Hancock is in determined mood.

"I feel good and I'm looking forward to the next round now, I'm on the road to the World title, and I'm not going to stop," he said.

The only rider ahead of Hancock in the World championship standings is, of course, Gollob, the highest-paid sportsman in Poland. Gollob said the pressure would now be on him from his countrymen, whose hopes of celebrating their first World Champion since 1973 rest on his shoulders.

"Linkoping, for the next round, is a good track, I like it, and things look promising," Gollob said. "It is good to win the opening meeting, but it adds to the pressure because the other riders will be looking for me now. I hope I can keep up the vision and points between the other riders and myself, and I should be all right. This is only the first Grand Prix of six, so I can't say now that I am going to be World Champion, but I will keep on going and see what happens. I am not getting too carried away." CN

Czech Grand Prix
Prague, Czech Republic
Results: May 8, 1998 (Round 1 of 6)

GP FINAL: 1. Tomasz Gollob; 2. Greg Hancock; 3. Jason Crump; 4. Jimmy Nilsen.
WORLD INDIVIDUAL SPEEDWAY C'SHIP SERIES POINTS STANDINGS (After 1 of 6 rounds): 1. Tomasz Gollob (25/1 win); 2. Greg Hancock (20); 3. Jason Crump (18); 4. Jimmy Nilsen (16); 5. Antonin Kasper (15); 6. John Jorgensen (14); 7. Joe Screen (12); 8. Stefan Danno (10); 9. (TIE) Chris Louis/Peter Karlsson (8); 11. (TIE) Tony Rickardsson/Mikael Karlsson (7); 13. (TIE) Hans Nielsen/Ryan Sullivan (6); 15. (TIE) Henrik Gustafsson/Andy Smith (5); 17. (TIE) Leigh Adams/Robert Dados (4); 19. Brian Karger/Brian Andersen (3).

Upcoming Rounds:
Round 2 - Linkoping, Sweden, June 4
Round 3 - Wroclaw, Poland, July 3

Round 6: Manahawkin GNCC

AMA GRAND NATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY SERIES

WATTS BOLTS

By Mark Uth

MANAHAWKIN, NJ, MAY 9

Australian Shane Watts used a last-lap, come-from-behind charge to claim the overall win at the Manahawkin GNCC.

Posting his fourth overall victory in five tries, the KTM 125-mounted Australian's success is no doubt turning U.S. off-road racing circles on their collective ear. In the process, his success is threatening to upset the corporate apple cart of many national manufacturers' off-road racing teams that have invested nearly exclusively in this series. "Wattsie" got off to a mediocre start and encountered some troubles early in the race, whacking his left handlebar on a tree hard enough to shatter his roost guard and damage his clutch lever. It hardly proved fatal, however, as Watts spent the next couple of laps working his way to the front in order to set the stage for his final-lap victory.

"The key was being in the position to win on the last lap," Watts said.

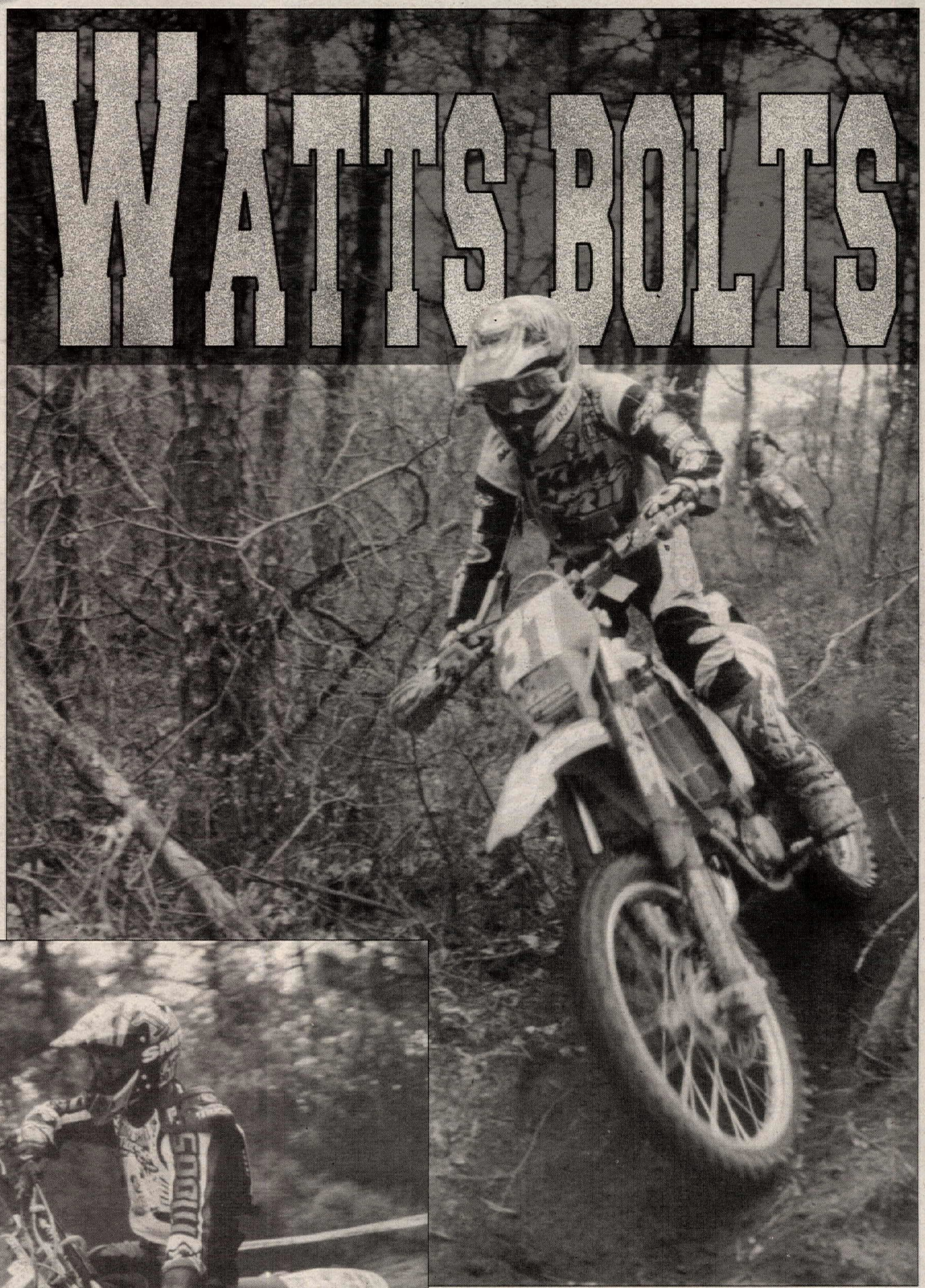
No doubt it was.

It wasn't accomplished, however, without a little misfortune on the part of the second-overall finisher, Team Suzuki's Rodney Smith. The defending series champ started well, ultimately grabbing the lead position from early front-runner Fred Andrews and maintaining it on the third, fourth, fifth and half of the sixth and final lap. Unfortunately, lapped traffic, as it often does, played an instrumental role in Smith's misfortune.

"A lapper had fallen down in the main line in a woods trail near the loop's midpoint," Smith explained. "I made a snap decision to blaze an inside line, and my Suzuki bottomed out on a stump - the bike flipped up and I went down. Wattsie was right there and he slipped into the lead."

Still, a second-place finish proves that he and Team Suzuki are back on the right track.

"I thought I was in good shape to take the win," Smith said. "My Suzuki is really working good now, after we spent the first couple of races getting the '99 bike dialed. Unfortunately, just when things began to come together, I ended up getting sick. I felt good in West Virginia (where he took first place), but this lingering cold just won't quit."



(Above) Australian Shane Watts came from behind to win the Manahawkin Grand National Cross Country in New Jersey - his fourth win in four tries.
(Left) Defending series champion Rodney Smith ended up second overall.

Team Suzuki claimed the third podium position as well with a strong showing by Englishman Paul Edmondson.

"I was a little pumped up early on and had to back off some," said Edmondson. "There are really a lot of fast guys in this series, and the pace is relentless. The top guys up front were freight-training and setting a good clip."

To his credit, "Eddy" hung tough,

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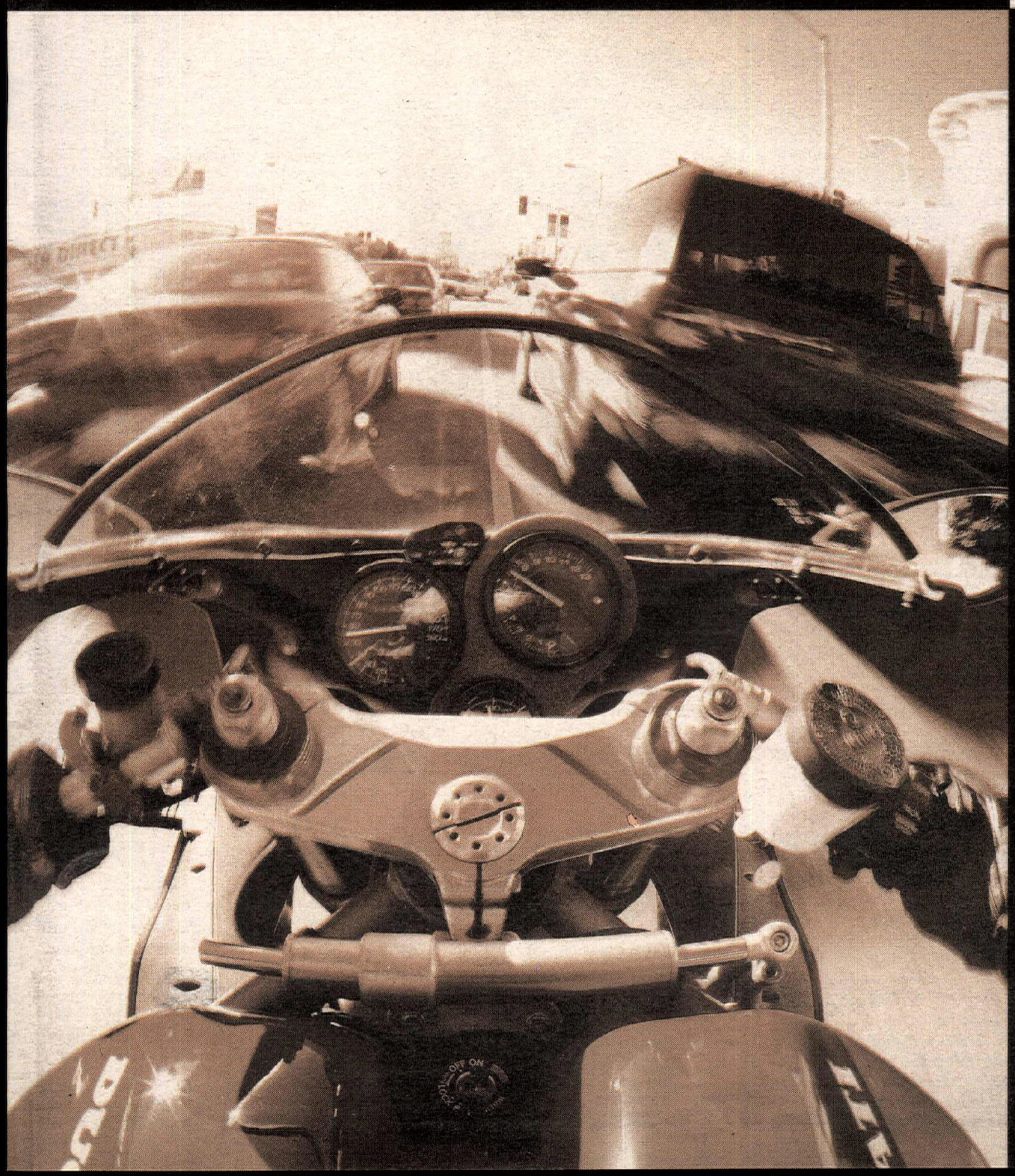

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Jun 27 Holland, 10pm/ET

WORLD SUPERBIKE CHAMPIONSHIPS (SAME DAY)
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(Left) England's Paul Edmondson finished third overall, his best result since the second round of the series. (Right) Fred Andrews led the first two laps before eventually finishing fourth overall.

(Right) Jim Jarrett ran with the leaders, then fell back to 10th before climbing his way to a fifth-place overall finish in New Jersey.

running near the front of the pack for the entire race and moving up as opportunities arose. His third-place finish marked his best results since the series' second round in Georgia.

The Pros raced around a 10.7-mile course that was a mixture of ribboned outdoor MX-type sections in a large sand pit connected together with tight woods trail through thick wood with lots of pitch pine and scrub oak.

"I really liked the course," Smith said, "especially the tight sections."

Other riders were heard to say that this was the tightest GNCC round thus far, with stump-studded, skinny woods trail sections that confounded passing. There was no water on the course, though rain showers earlier in the week proved to be just enough to keep down the dust that plagued riders in last year's event. The day's weather was nearly perfect, with clear, cloudless skies, a steady breeze and temperatures in the mid-70s.

Fourth-overall finisher Fred Andrews looked like the sure bet early on. Before the race, the Kawasaki rider said he set some realistic goals for this race.

"I want to improve upon last year's outing," he said, "where I jacked my knee in the first turn and ended up DNFing."

Andrews easily accomplished his goal, leveraging a good start to lead the event for the first two laps. While out front, Andrews was constantly dogged by Smith and Edmondson, the top five riders dicing it up early on. Eventually, he gave way to Smith on the third trip around the loop, but he still managed to stay in touch with the leaders, never falling back further than fifth place and moving up on the final lap to secure fourth overall. All in all, it was a good finish.

Kawasaki rider Jim Jarrett had an up-and-down day that fortunately finished on a high note. Jarrett ran with the leaders in the early going before falling back to 10th place on lap three. From there, however, he climbed back into the fray, finishing in the fifth-overall seed.

The current series points leader coming into the round, Suzuki's Steve Hatch, was very optimistic before the race and rode well before running out of fuel on the final lap.

"I want to ride smart for the first half of the race and then grab some gears," he said. "Hopefully, I can get some more podiums and follow up on my good (third-place) finish in West Virginia."

Running in second place, right on Smith's heels at the drop of the white flag, Hatch was no doubt on track to accomplish this. Unfortunately, his Suzuki sputtered to a stop some miles from the finish, a disappointing culmination to a hard day's racing. Similarly, local favorite Mike Lafferty didn't fare much better. The KTM-mounted Lafferty commented that he was hoping for his first GNCC podium this year. Consistent finishes in earlier rounds, however, have put him in third place in the championship points race. In another case of unfulfilled aspirations, Lafferty crashed hard, wadding up his bike in the process, and he retired after the fourth lap despite holding down seventh place at the time.

So it was again a day for Shane Watts to shine.

"I love racing and I love being here (in the United States)," he said.

Afterward, Watts reaffirmed his priorities: championship aspirations abroad, and GNCC competition whenever possible. Watts announced that he will miss the next round in the series at Brownsville, Pennsylvania, to attend a World Enduro Championship race in France.

Rodney Smith, always the sportsman, perhaps summed it up best.

"Shane simply rode well," he pointed out, "and didn't make any mistakes." **CN**

Manahawkin GNCC
Manahawkin, New Jersey
Results: May 9, 1999 (Round 6 of 13)

O/A: 1. Shane Watts (KTM); 2. Rodney Smith (Suz); 3. Paul Edmondson (Suz); 4. Fred Andrews (Kaw); 5. Jim Jarrett (Kaw); 6. Barry E. Hawk Jr. (Yam); 7. Joel Dengler (Suz); 8. Scott McLaughlin (Yam); 9. Brian Keegan (KTM); 10. Richard Lafferty (KTM); 11. Steve McSwain (Kaw); 12. Stephen Edmondson (Kaw); 13. Blair Bersano (Suz); 14. Ryan Rodgers (Kaw); 15. Shawn Reed (Hus); 16. Matt Beatty (Yam); 17. Chuck Woodford (Kaw); 18. Rod Stuckey (Kaw); 19. Bill Atkinson (KTM); 20. Dennis Decker (KTM).

125/200 C: 1. Jason Speck (Suz); 2. David Peary (Suz); 3. Scott Watkins (Kaw); 4. Thomas Grogg (Yam); 5. Shaun Dailey (Kaw).

200 A: 1. Cole Calkins (Kaw); 2. Robert Santheson (Hon); 3. Keith Cullum (Yam); 4. Michael Sigety (Suz); 5. Mike McCrea (Kaw).

200 B: 1. Patrick Doyle (Yam); 2. Joshua Knapp (Kaw); 3. Justin Maxwell (Kaw); 4. Mike Stapula (Kaw); 5. Todd Morrow (Kaw).

250 A: 1. Steve McSwain (Kaw); 2. Stephen Edmondson (Kaw); 3. Ryan Rodgers (Kaw); 4. Matt Beatty (Yam); 5. Chuck Woodford (Kaw).

250 B: 1. Marty Aloisio (Yam); 2. Norman Feth (Yam); 3. Dustin Gibson (Yam); 4. Gary Fridley (Suz); 5. Keith Bonney (Hon).

OPEN A: 1. Michael Grizzle (Hsb); 2. Dave Gunn (Hon); 3. Marc Grossman (Kaw); 4. Mark Adkins (Kaw); 5. Ronald Palermo (KTM).

OPEN B: 1. John Rentschler (KTM); 2. Terry Hartman (KTM); 3. Steve Bower (KTM); 4. Giles Ryan (KTM); 5. Robert Dalbey (Yam).

250/OPEN C: 1. Michael Colavita (Hon); 2. Daryl Gentry (Yam); 3. Mico Borsuk (Hon); 4. Brian Burt (Kaw); 5. Len Kapton (KTM).

4-STRK A: 1. Harvey Whitaker (Kaw); 2. Darius Lattea (Yam); 3. Clint Robinson (Yam); 4. Craig Cossaboon (Yam); 5. Jonathan Skinner (Yam).

4-STRK B: 1. Michael Decherd (Hon); 2. Jeff Melik (Yam); 3. Rob Hertz (Yam); 4. David Reagan (Suz); 5. Aaron Snyder (Hon).

4-STRK C: 1. Bryan Kennedy (Yam); 2. Michael Read (Yam); 3. David Mihalko (Hon); 4. James Chapman (Yam); 5. Wesley Knippenberg (Hon).

PRO: 1. Shane Watts (KTM); 2. Rodney Smith (Suz); 3. Paul Edmondson (Suz); 4. Fred Andrews (Kaw); 5. Jim Jarrett (Kaw).

VET (30+) A: 1. Dennis Decker (KTM); 2. Rodney Judson (Hon); 3. John Walton (Yam); 4. Jeff Murgel (Kaw); 5. Philip Carlin (Yam).

VET (30+) B: 1. Mark White (Suz); 2. Gary Johnson (KTM); 3. Lionel Asselin (Hon); 4. Mark Perry (Hon); 5. David Sheehan (Hon).

VET (30+) C: 1. David Powell (Hon); 2. John Trendler (Kaw); 3. T. Reese Jones (Yam); 4. Richard White (Yam); 5. Frederick Schmidt (Yam).

SR (40+) A: 1. Tim Shephard (Yam); 2. Terry Tucker (Kaw); 3. Kevin Reed (Yam); 4. Michael Holbert (Yam); 5. Mike McCarren (Yam).

SR (40+) B: 1. Leo Schwab (KTM); 2. Mark Mihalik (Kaw); 3. Larry Black (Hon); 4. Andrew Wells (Hon); 5. David Myers (Yam).

SR (40+) C: 1. Douglas Noll (Hon); 2. Steve Futo (Yam); 3. John Dunn (Kaw); 4. Michael O'Rourke (Hon); 5. Joe Klingensmith (Yam).

S/SR: 1. Wayne Beatty (Yam); 2. Terry Mealer (Yam); 3. Frank Erbe (Yam); 4. Craig Burnfield (Kaw); 5. Scott Wolfersberger (Yam).

AM O/A: 1. Stephen Kuczko (KTM); 2. Wayne Beatty (Yam); 3. Terry Mealer (Yam); 4. Michael Colavita (Hon); 5. Ron Lawson (KTM); 6. Daryl Gentry (Yam); 7. Jason Speck (Suz); 8. Mico Borsuk (Hon); 9. Frank Erbe (Yam); 10. David Peary (Suz); 11. Scott Watkins (Kaw); 12. Thomas Grogg (Yam); 13. Shaun Dailey (Kaw); 14. Brian Burt (Kaw); 15. Len Kapton (KTM); 16. Brian Melik (Kaw); 17. Craig Burnfield (Kaw); 18. Scott Wolfersberger (Yam); 19. Thomas Ebersole (Cag); 20. Justin Fluharty (KTM).

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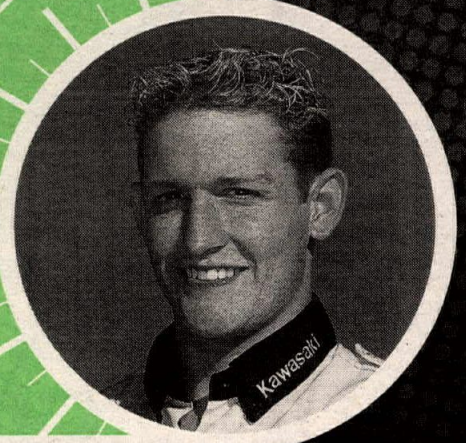

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John Kocinski

Running out of time

By Henny Ray Abrams

John Kocinski finally got what he always wanted, but for how long?

Since moving to the World stage in 1990, with a 250cc world Championship for Yamaha in his first year, Kocinski has been a nomad in search of an oasis.

The Arkansas native who moved to Modesto, California, as a teenager to learn from Kenny Roberts rode for the Marlboro Roberts Yamaha team as Wayne Rainey's teammate in 1991 and '92, finishing fourth, then third, with a win in each season, but clearly not relishing the role of second fiddle.

The 1993 season was even worse. Kocinski was tabbed by the Lucky Strike Suzuki team to spearhead the factory's re-entry into the 250cc class. His debut was auspicious, a shadow second to Yamaha's Tetsuya Harada in Australia at the season opener. After that there was frustration on all sides, which came to a head halfway into the season at the Lucky Strike Dutch TT in Assen. Kocinski finished third, less than five seconds behind the winner, but he wasn't happy. What happened next has never been fully explained, but Kocinski stopped on the course, blaming a gearbox problem, and he didn't make the podium, embarrassing the Lucky Strike team at their home Grand Prix. It would be his last race with the team.

The next time he showed up at a Grand Prix was in Brno, the Czech Republic, and he was now teamed with Doug Chandler and Mat Mladin on Giacomo Agostini's Cagiva team. Fourth in his first two races ahead of both of his teammates, Kocinski proved he could still ride a 500. The year's highlight came at Laguna Seca, where Kocinski gave Cagiva their only win that year. The year's final race was in Jarama, Spain, and Kocinski was on the pole. He also set fast lap and he might have won had race leader Shinichi Itoh not succumbed to Kocinski's pressure and crashed just in front of him.

Mick Doohan won his first 500cc World Championship in 1994 and Kocinski finished third, two points behind Yamaha's Luca Cadalora, after winning the season-opening race in Australia. It wasn't enough to get him a job in 1995.

Kocinski raced little that year, though he rode an Erion Racing Honda 600 to second at Daytona, returning to the track full time in 1996 with a ride on the Ducati World Superbike team.

That led to the Castrol Honda team, where he gave the team and the RC45 its only World Championship in 1997. As a symbol of their gratitude, the team recently gave him his title-winning machine.

That performance earned him a 500cc seat on the Spanish MoviStar Honda Pons team in 1998. It was a year of struggle that only added to his reputation as a difficult and mercurial rider to work with.

Like most riders, he's always wanted to ride for tuning genius and multi-time World Championship winner Erv Kanemoto. The two Northern Californians worked together once before when Kocinski, after he had been let go by Suzuki, tested the Rothmans Honda NSR250 that Max Biaggi was riding in 1993. It took more than five years for them to get together again.

The only problem now is that there's no money. Kanemoto's genius is mechanical, not financial, and he hasn't been able to attract sponsorship for this team. The San Jose native took out two loans to pay the early bills and has said that if the team doesn't find funding, their season could well end after next weekend's French Grand Prix at Paul Ricard. Rumors that they were on a performance bonus program with Honda Racing Corporation (HRC), basically a lifeline, were just that - rumors. Which is almost a good thing.

The first two races resulted in two crashes, and the third wasn't one for the resume, either. At the Spanish Grand Prix in Jerez, Kocinski showed an early flash of brilliance, only to be slowed by tire problems. Using a softer front than virtually anyone else, Kocinski wasn't able to keep up once it began to slide, very early in the race. After dropping to seventh, he quickened his pace, turning his fastest lap three from the end and moving to sixth. The Honda NSR500 has always had a bad habit of understeering and running wide out of the turns. It's especially problematic when you can't make a hard front tire work, something Repsol Honda's Alex Criville was able to do to make his NSR500 a winner in Spain. For Kocinski to excel, he'll have to have faith in the harder tire.

All of which puts Kocinski in an odd place. He finally has what he wants, but if the team doesn't find any money, it may soon be taken away from him.

Q How did you come to this team?

A I've always wanted to be in this team, but it was always a situation where we had to find money to organize it and finally, last year, after Max (Biaggi) went to Yamaha, of course the spot was open, and I knew that I wasn't going to be staying on for another year with the (Sito) Pons team. And I think it was just a situation that we've always wanted to work on the same team, and we were just going to try to find a way to make it happen.

Q How did you know you weren't going to stay on with the Pons team?

A Sito's team is a full Spanish team, and I honestly believe that Sito is there for business, not for racing, and, for me, I go for the racing part, he goes for the business part. So, already you can see it's a dead-end street. Let alone, I speak English, they speak Spanish. That was another problem. It wasn't a good situation.

Q You said at one point that you were racing for HRC within the Pons' team.

A The thing is, you have to try to think about everybody's position before you start saying things. Of course, Honda, I think, tried to help me in whichever way they could. But, in the end, I was still in that team and even, I think, for the Japanese sometimes it was a bit frustrating. But it was a situation where you're there and all you can do is what you can and just ride it out and wait for a better chance.

Q Was it something you couldn't get done to the bike?

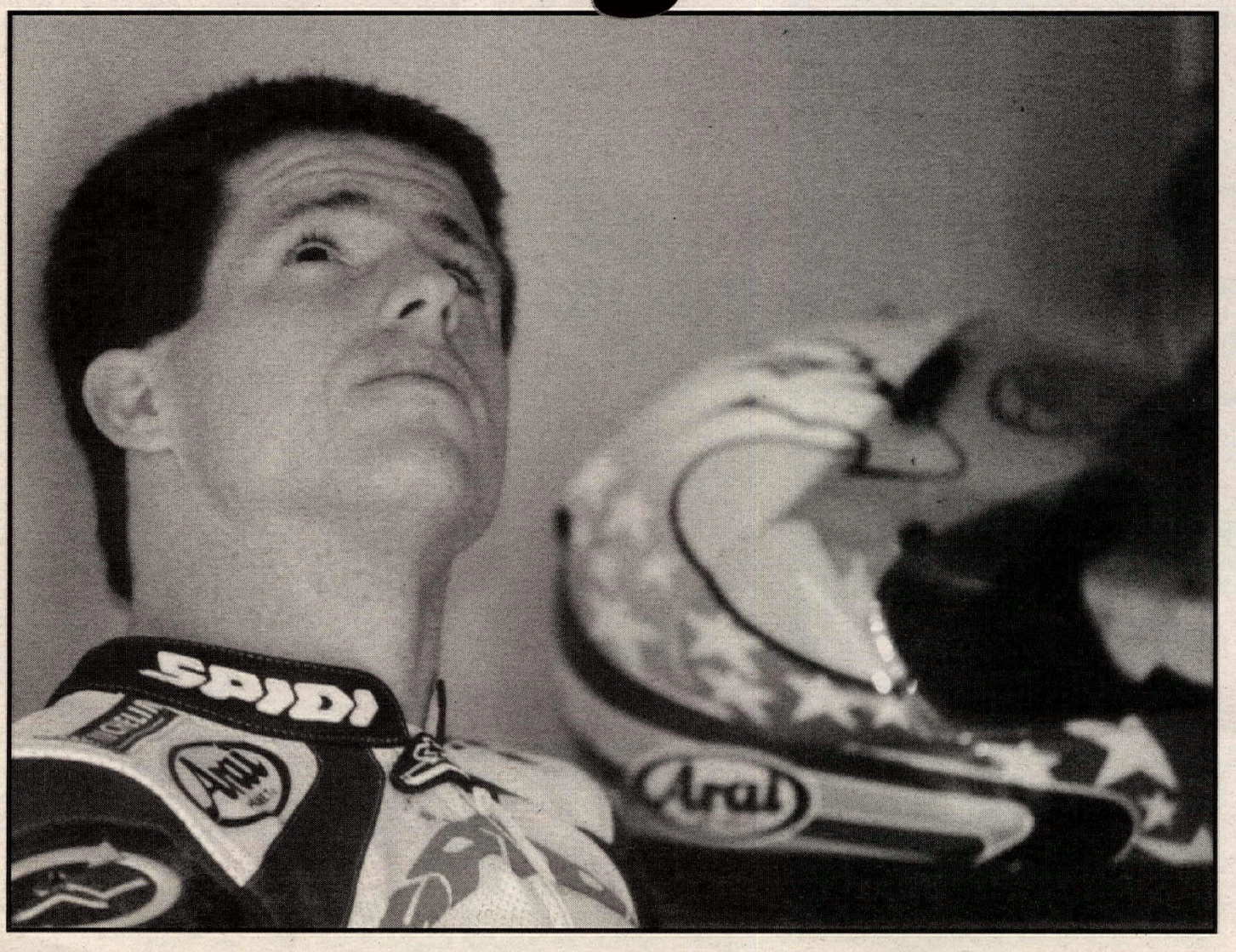
A Ever since the first time I've ever sat on an NSR500, I've never been very comfortable. People always talk about superbikes and how they don't handle and they don't work and they're just street bikes. But I remember the first time I rode the NSR in Sugo, after I'd just won the World Championship, and I lapped Sugo faster on my superbike than I did the NSR.

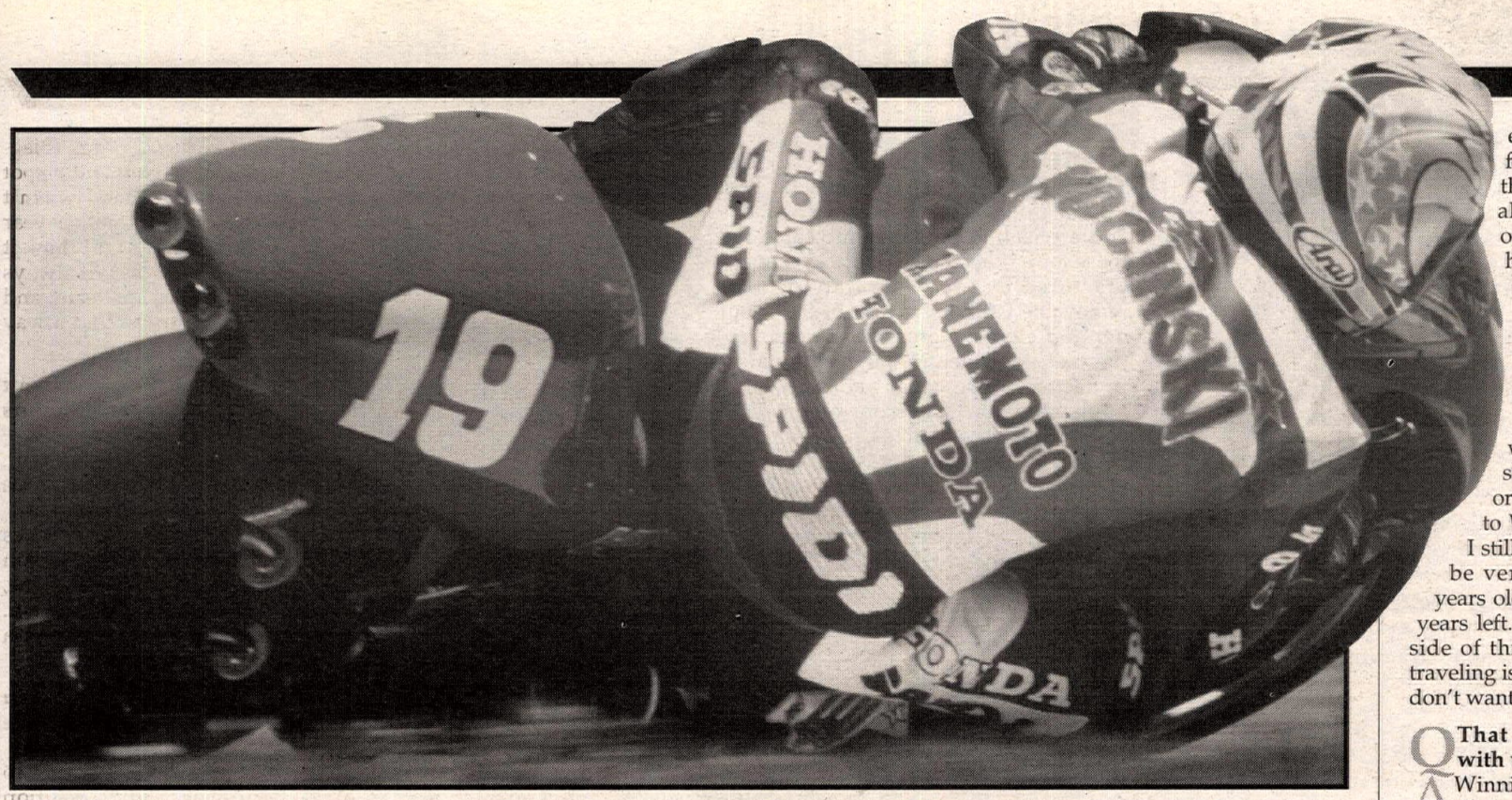
Q Because you were confident in the front end?

A I think that the NSR definitely needs some improvement in the handling area. But sometimes handling can be affected by other things. It's not just that we need a new frame or we need this or that. It's just a combination of things. In Superbike, I was priority one, and I came to this deal and I was priority seven. Things don't happen too fast when you're priority number seven. In reality, that's how it really is. No matter what a paper says, that's how it is. In Superbike, there's two Hondas. In Grands Prix, last year, there were seven Hondas. And I'm the new guy in. When anybody takes a new job, they don't start out as president.

Q At what point did you realize that you wouldn't get what you needed?

A I knew early on that, for sure, we were going to have to do something to where I could be more comfortable on the bike. Clearly, I feel that I didn't have much time to adapt again to a 500. I just needed to get what I had working better. I've experienced this before at other factories, and a lot of times it's all about timing. You've just got to hope that the timing aspect of things works out to where you can get everything in line.





Q What didn't the bike do that it will do now that Erv Kanemoto's working on it?

A That's the good thing, and that's why I've done as well as I have so far this year. Erv is able to use his experience and he understands a rider very well. He can help me improve it that extra margin, where generally I would just have to do without. But still, you're never going to go far without the factory. You need the factory there behind you, someone there with their pen and paper that's writing down all these things to go back and report all this information so that maybe by the next race or two races you're testing new items to try to fix your problem to get more comfortable on the bike.

Q Is the bike that you're riding now better than the one you rode last year?

A It's the same bike: Erv's gotten it to work better for me. I've learned a lot from him, and the reasons why things should be a certain way. And, for sure, I've been able to lap better than I did last year, so there is some improvement, but we still need more.

Q What does the bike do better this year than last year?

A Let's just say if there's 20 things, Erv will get 18 or 19 of those things right. The biggest thing is the carburetion. Erv is always very good about making the carburetion right, and that makes a big difference on this bike.

Q Because of the way the power comes in?

A Yeah.

Q Take me through a corner: What does the bike do if it isn't right?

A As an example, if the carburetion is wrong, it'll make the bike run more wide than it already does out of the corner. Because when the power comes in, it's quite strong, and that's why it's just important to have the carburetion very smooth so that you can control the bike better.

Q What were your other options for this year?

A I had other options, but I tell you, when we came testing, we even had people ask us, "What are you doing here? This has no meaning." But we were determined. And the thing is, we're here. At the moment we don't know for how long, but we're here. If we went home tomorrow, we accomplished our goal. We came here, we were here. We did more than what most people give us credit for.

Q Is it hard to mentally prepare for the races, given your limited resources?

A No, because I have so much confidence in the team that, as I've always said, I'd rather do three or four races at a high level than 15 races at a low level. And I've learned more at this stage than I learned all of last year. Even if things had to stop tomorrow, it's been good for me.

Q Tell me about the first two races. In Malaysia, you were on the pole; in the race...

A ... yeah, I fell down. I fell down the first couple of races. In the first race, we qualified on the pole position and I actually was leading the race when I almost was taken out by Max (Biaggi). And then in the process of trying to catch back up to where I was, I made a mistake and just got in too fast and wasn't able to stop and unfortunately I took Abraham (Norick Abe) with me.

Q How did the team react?

A I'm sure at that moment Erv was already thinking about Japan. He's not one to really sit and reflect on what just happened, because he just gets on with it. In Japan, I can honestly say that I had health problems there and I probably shouldn't have started the race, but I did, because, as I say, these guys put so much effort into it. It was a situation where you just try to put everything out of your mind. It caused me a lot of problems with the problems I was having and eventually I went down and I felt bad for everybody. I crashed. I can't really get into it. I can say it wasn't a good deal and, again, it was problems of my own. And I was very disappointed. I wanted to do well in Malaysia, I wanted to do well in Japan. I want to do well everywhere. I think it's just a situation where... when you wanted something for so long and you've had to wait so long to get it, sometimes you finally get it, you're so wound up that you don't make the best of it. So I think it's a situation where I just have to stay focused and keep everything in perspective and everything will go well.

Q Have you thought about what happens if you can't continue? What you will do?

A Whatever Erv will do.

Q If he doesn't have money to race, then you're on your own.

A I think, honestly, with all due respect to what he's done - I can't say this for sure unless he said it was okay - my feeling is, with due respect to him, I wouldn't do anything else, just because of what he's done for me. This shows loyalty that he deserves and the team and the mechanics and everybody. If Erv told me, "Hey, look, you should go and do this if you have the chance," I might consider it. For sure, I wouldn't do anything without his approval.

Q Are you being paid?

A Sure I'm being paid.

Q Would you race if you weren't being paid?

A I can't race for free.

Q What about Mick Doohan? Now that he's out of the championship, assuming that you can continue on, does that give you added hope?

A With one of the top guys out, it's one less guy to have to worry about. But, at this level, it's always difficult with or without him. Without him, there'll be somebody else that'll be there. So it's never going to be easy and you're always going to have to have the right combination to win at this level.

Q If you can produce as the best Honda rider, do you think that can help the team?

A Honda's a company, and if you do well, they're going to help you. For sure, being the best Honda rider, we're going to get help.

Q Is that extra pressure?

A Not really, but, for sure, I want to be the best Honda rider, because we need help with everything.

Q Would you consider racing in the United States again?

A I would consider racing in America. At least I could race at Laguna Seca.

Q You could do that if you ran World Superbike?

A I will not travel anymore for anything other than 500cc Grands Prix. This is my 10th year in the World Championship and, for sure, you start to feel the effects of 10 years' worth of traveling and testing. That's why I say when I'm out of this deal, the World Championship is over for me. It's not that I'm burned out on racing, I'm burned out on traveling, but I will do it for 500, but I will not do it for anything else. Because what else is there for me to do? The other classes that I've been in, I've won there already. So, you win, you move on. You go to something you haven't won at. And this is what I haven't won at yet.

Q You haven't won an AMA Superbike title, either.

A Like I say, going back to the States, where I wouldn't have to travel. You stay in the same time zone, give or take three hours from the East to West Coast. That's nothing. So, I still enjoy racing and I know I can be very competitive. Now I'm 31 years old and I still have a lot of good years left. For the World Championship side of things, I don't know when the traveling is going to get to a point where I don't want to do it anymore.

Q That may have something to do with winning, don't you think?

A Winning, for sure, takes care of a lot of problems. This year the traveling doesn't bother me so much because I'm looking forward to getting here and seeing the team I'm in and the people and I feel good, and I don't feel like a foreigner here. Last year, Audrey (Kocinski's motorhome driver) and myself, we talked to each other, but we could never understand anybody else around, and it was hard on him. So, here you're around other American people, so you don't feel so far away from home.

Q With all of that said, why did you take that ride last year?

A It was a situation where Honda helped me win a championship, so I felt they did me a favor and they asked me if I would do that and the last thing I wanted to do was to let them down. But racing is not about the fastest rider, get a good bike, go out there and win. It's so political now that it's almost unfair, but that's how it is, so you just deal with it. Look at Erv's situation: He's won more World Championships than anybody in this paddock. I don't know of anybody that has a better record, and he doesn't have a sponsor. Now, if you can make sense out of that, I'll be impressed.

Q You have to give the sponsor something. You have to promise them something. The problem is that there's no money in America. All the money's over here, which is why all the Europeans are sponsored, so that's what makes it harder.

A It all comes down to how our sport is run and the people who run it. It's not organized properly. And I don't mean that in a way to say anything negative about anyone, but, I mean, come on, look at it - it's not organized properly. There's too many people here struggling to find money. This is a World Championship. It's amazing how the United States (is) the richest country in the world, and you come here to Spain and there's 150,000 people here and you can't even get in the place. And you go to America and nobody even knows anything about it. You look at Formula One, you look at what kind of job Bernie (Ecclestone) has done. I don't care what people say about him or he's making too much money, he's also made the whole series wealthy. And there've been teams in Formula One that couldn't find sponsorship and he found it for them. I don't feel this championship is being looked after. It's not run properly. How can we have so many teams without money? Erv should have the most money in the paddock. We don't even have a round of the championship in the United States. CN

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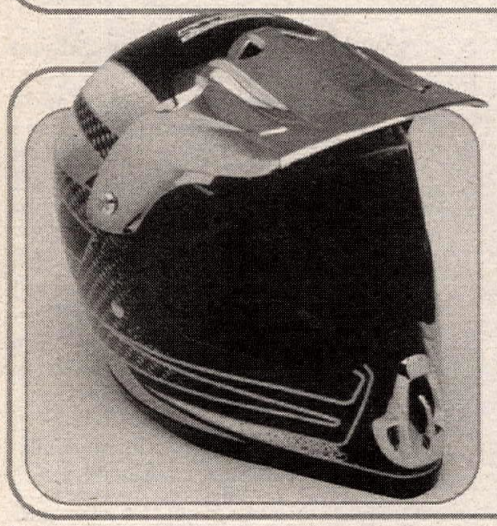

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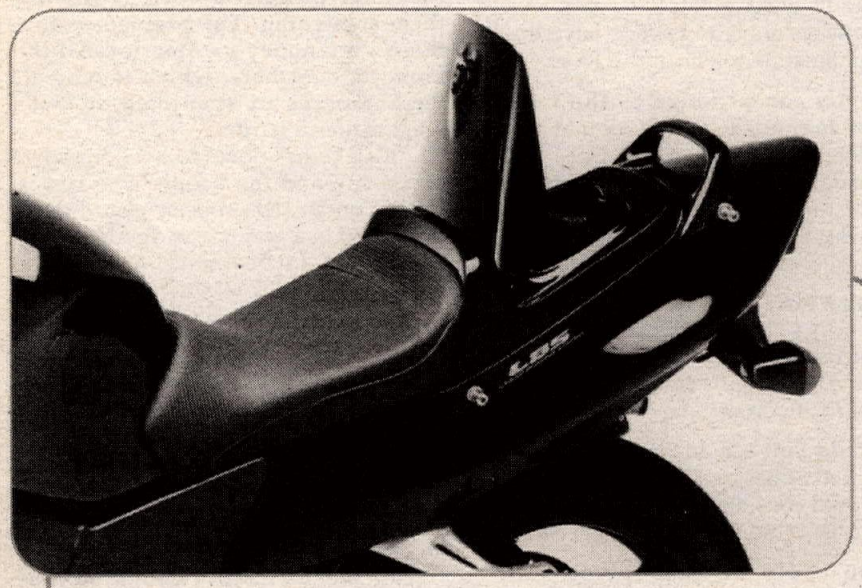

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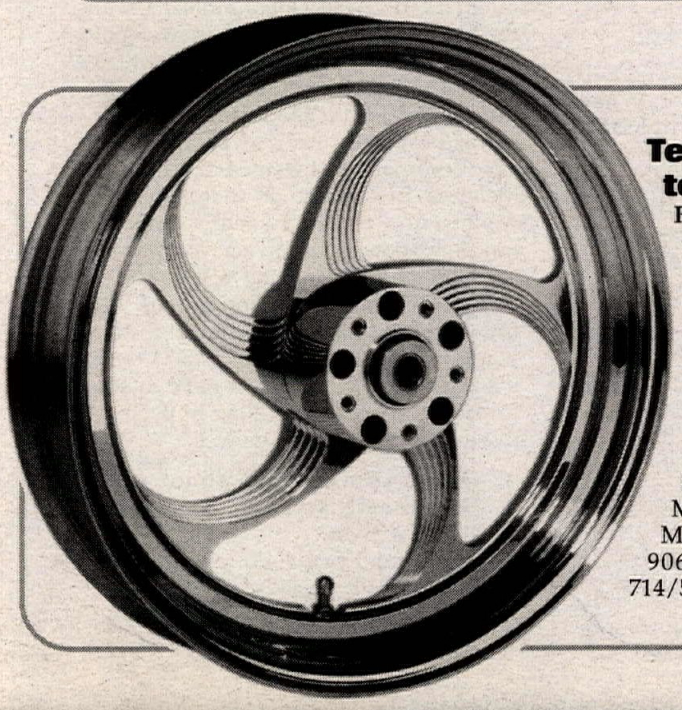

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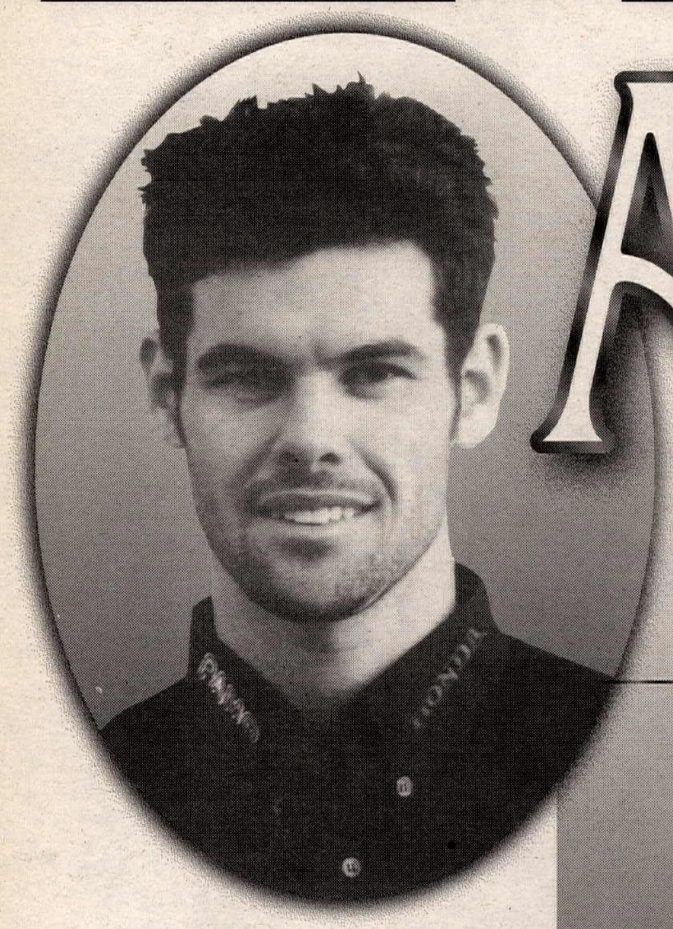
Ryan Hughes

A new life



By Eric Johnson
Photos by Roddy Brooks

Taking advantage of a two-week break between the Venezuelan and Brazilian Grand Prix rounds of the FIM World Championship 250cc MX Series, Ryan Hughes visited family and friends in the Southern California area - not to mention that he took part in the opening round of the AMA Mazda Trucks National Motocross Championship at Glen Helen, where he finished fifth overall. It was there that we caught up to "Ryno" and chatted with him about his new turn in life.

Q After three consecutive months in Europe, how does it feel to be back home in California?

A It feels good. The best thing is seeing friends and family and making sure my house is okay. At the moment, I'm staying with my mom in Escondido, because I want to make sure I spend some time with her before I go back to Brazil and then on to Europe.

Q What made you decide to run the opening round of the AMA National Motocross Series?

A Well, I was going to come here anyway to visit my mom and go watch Glen Helen. But once the race got closer, I decided that if I was going to be in the U.S., I might as well race. It was a good opportunity to learn more about my motorcycle. I wanted to take my bike in Europe and compare it with the one over here to see where we are lacking and to see where we can make some progress. That was how I made the decision I did.

Q How big a part did American Honda play in getting you set up over here?

A Actually, I called up Ron Wood (a mechanic for Team Honda) and asked him if they would be able to give me a bike for Glen Helen. He talked to Cliff White (the team manager) and there was no problem. And then, at the

Now a member of the Pamo Honda team, California's Ryan Hughes is seeking a World crown. Hughes is currently fifth in the 250cc World Championship MX Series.

race, Dan Bentley worked with me because there were some small troubles inside the team. (Honda tapped Bentley, Mickael Pichon's mechanic during the 1999 Supercross Series, to tune for Hughes at the Glen Helen race). It worked out fine for me, because both of those guys are really good mechanics. Dan and I got along really well.

Q Speaking of the two motorcycles, is there any comparison between your GP bike and the National bike you rode in San Bernardino?

A The suspension is the same - I am using last year's factory suspension in Europe. The engine is pretty close to being the same, with the exception of the ignition, the cylinder and the gas. Over here they can run better gas, while in Europe we have to run 98 octane. The gas is kind of crap in Europe. The problem with me in Europe is that I don't get the support from Honda that I really need. The bikes are great and everything is great, but to race at that level, you really need a lot of support, and we just don't have a lot to choose from and that's where we run into problems.

Q Is that due to the fact that Stefan Everts and Frederic Bolley ride for the chosen Radson Honda factory team, which is supported by Honda of Japan?

A Yeah, I think so. That and the fact that I came onto the Pamo Honda team kind of late. You know, when someone signs on in September, that's kind of late. That didn't leave a lot of time to get the ball rolling. If we can get some more parts and more stuff to choose from, I think it will be a lot better.

Q Do you sense that Honda of Japan will provide more support to the Pamo team since things are going pretty well?

A Well, I'm hoping so. I think if I do better, they will help me out more. Right now they only have one guy that they are really backing up (Bolley), while I'm still using leftover stuff from last year, so I'm not really getting a lot of support. With the support I'm now getting, the bike really is great - I can only imagine how much better the bike could be with more support.

Q How did you feel about your performance at Glen Helen? In essence, you came from one world and dropped right into another.

A I was happy, but I was upset, too. The first moto I think I should've finished top-three, if not better. I just had a couple small crashes. In the second race, I just kind of got settled into a pace and just remained there for some reason. Then, in the middle of the race, I made a couple of small mistakes. Then, at the end, I started pushing harder and caught up, but it was too late. But I'm happy and healthy and I can now go to Brazil. My goal was to get through the race and see how things were, and that went well. However, it was also kind of tough to come right in here and not be able to test the bike. Honda pretty much set it up and said, "Okay, here you go." The suspension was the same but the motor was different. If I could've done some testing, the bike could've been more to my liking. But for someone to just set the bike up without me testing it - the thing was pretty damn good.

Q It seemed as if a lot of your former competitors and the fans took a lot of interest in you at Glen Helen. What's your take on that?

A I think a lot of the fans were interested in me, but I think most of the racers wanted to beat me real bad. They didn't want somebody coming over from Europe and beating them. But that's normal and not important. The fans were just great, and that was real important to me.

Hughes says he is adapting just fine to the European way of life.

Q What did you think of Tortelli's performance?

A I knew he was good, and that didn't really surprise me. The track was really good for him. I knew he was going to be tough.

Q Do you think he can win the whole thing this summer?

A I think he can win. However, I think that some of the other tracks will be a little bit tougher for him. The tracks will start getting a little bit tighter, with more jumps, and he'll have trouble on those. But (on) the fast tracks, he'll do real good.

Q With you now racing in Europe, it appears that a larger number of American fans have taken a stronger interest in the GPs. Would you agree?

A I think I may have got the ball rolling. With Tortelli now coming over and winning the first National and with Tallon Vohland chasing down and passing Ricky Carmichael in the second moto at Glen Helen, it shows that the GPs have some steam and that it's not all about supercross. I think the factories may start hiring some guys to ride the Nationals and not supercross.

Q Do you really think that could ever happen?

A If you have the speed and you could win the Nationals, I'm sure somebody would hire you. I've already talked to one or two people about that and they said they would be willing to hire somebody for that type of situation. Just like Jeremy (McGrath) is doing with supercross, or (Doug) Henry is doing in the Nationals this summer. Twenty-eight races is too much - way too much.

Q You are now five races into the 1999 Grand Prix season. You seem to be doing very well. Are you pleased at how it has gone thus far?

A In the beginning it went well. But then we had a couple of mud races; a sand race in Holland where I had a bad moto with a couple crashes; then we had a bike failure in France, where I almost lost all my points. But as I talk to people, everybody is real surprised with how well I'm doing. However, I expected a little bit more of myself. But we still have 22 motos to go, and that's a long time. I'm still in there for the championship, and I just need to get good starts and ride the way I ride.

Q You ran with Frederic Bolley the entire second moto in Venezuela to finish a close second. That had to be encouraging.

A That was encouraging. The first moto kind of sucked for me, but I showed a lot of speed and endurance in the second, and both of us rode to the point where we almost died. It went right down to the wire. It was good for me, because after the couple bad races I had, I began to question myself with things like, "Man, can I really do it?" Venezuela was really good for me because the second race erased that question from my mind.

Q Originally, you seemed a little bit apprehensive about leaving for an entirely different world. How do you feel now that the season is up and running?

A At first, I kept asking myself: "What are you doing? What are you getting yourself into?" But now that I'm there and racing, I'm actually having a good time. This was one of the best decisions I've ever made, because I've been able to turn my career around and turn my attitude around. I've been able to get away from the same stuff I've done for 10 years and gotten somewhere else. I've been able to change my outlook on things, because the last two years have been kind of tough for me, and now I'm having a real good time and feel like I'm riding real well.

Q After spending 10 years in the pits of the American racing scene, how does it feel to be a stranger in a strange land? Have the GP teams taken to you pretty well?

A At first, people just talked about how I wouldn't last or how I wouldn't be in shape. But after Spain, I proved them wrong, and I continue to prove them wrong. Some racers in America are in shape. I now have a lot of people talking to me, and a few are interested in me in the years to come. If I ever have some problems with the team I'm on now, I think a few of the other teams would be real interested in getting me.

Q There have to be a few people over there that want to see you fail just because you are an American.

A Oh, yeah, of course. There is some jealousy, and I don't know what else, but I'm also sure that there are a number of people in America that want to see Tortelli fail, as well. It's just competition. I mean, I know of one guy, a guy that's won a number of World Championships, that wants to see me fail.

Q How do you compare the speed of the GP riders with the guys you faced off against at Glen Helen?

A The majority of the riders in the GPs take the sport real seriously, almost more seriously than a lot of the guys in the U.S. That doesn't make them faster, but on their tracks over in Europe, they are fast - real fast. However, I think there is more depth here and that the riders in American are a little more aggressive. Here, if there is an opening, they take it. Or if a rider gets passed, you know they are going to come right back at you. The guys there are in good shape, and they are very fast on their tracks. Guys like Tortelli and Vohland and now Mike Brown are showing that we are all going about the same speed outdoors. We're head-and-shoulders above in supercross, but outdoors, I think it's all now pretty even. One thing that is different over there is that it's acceptable to pull off if there is a problem. Over here, if you pull off, the bike had better be broken or you better be broken. If not, you are in deep trouble.

Q Any last words for the fans in America that have been following you over in Europe this season?

A Yeah, I'd just like to tell them thanks for this weekend. The fans were cheering me on each time I came around, and that made me feel good. Everybody has shown me respect here and that they are following the GPs. A lot of people have been telling me that they had never followed the GPs until I came around, and that makes me feel great about what I am doing. I want the fans to keep rooting for me and also for Mike Brown, who is also doing a real good job in Europe. Mike's just not that outspoken and may not be getting as much press as I am, but what he is doing over in Europe is every bit as tough as it is for me. You know, now that I think about it, a good Motocross des Nations team might be Trampas Parker, myself and Mike Brown. We're all racing over there, we're all American and we're all top-five in the GP points. I don't know if that will ever happen, but that would be a pretty good team, wouldn't it? CN

Round 1: Glen Helen Raceway Park

WML/AMA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP MX SERIES

Bau! Wow!

By Beth LaRock

SAN BERNARDINO, CA, MAY 8

Women were out in force at the 1999 Chaparral AMA Amateur Motocross Championships for the Women's Motocross League National Motocross Series opener, held at Glen Helen Raceway Park. According to Debbie Matthews, event director for the WML, the Glen Helen event had the largest group of women racers assembled for any event thus far this year. Fifty-four women from 14 states and four countries competed in two classes, Expert and 125cc Amateur.

Italian Steffy Bau swept the Women's Expert class with 1-1 finishes. Bau said she came to the United States because she needed better competition.

"I won too much in Europe, so I decided I wanted to race the women here," Bau said. "I won two weeks ago, I won the Ladies World Cup, so I am the World Champion, but I want to win the American World Championship."

Capturing the holeshot in the first moto was Shelly Kann, followed by Tania Satchwell, Brookie Renker and Angie Keuntjes. Bau skidded off the concrete starting pad, resulting in a fifth-place position coming through the first turn.

"In Europe, they do not put cement behind the start line," Bau said. "So I need practice on the cement."

By the end of the first lap, Renker and Satchwell had fallen off the pace, and Bau was in third.

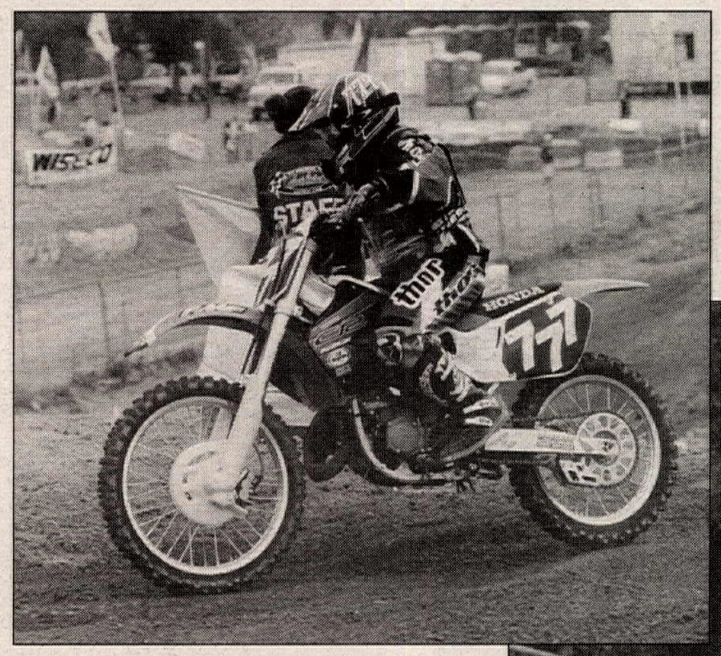
Bau continued her pursuit, passing Kann off Animal Leap and immediately starting to put pressure on Keuntjes. Mom & Dad/IMS/CTI/FMF-sponsored Keuntjes held the lead until lap five, when Bau passed her in the turn following the spectator tabletop jump. Bau held the lead to the finish, followed by Keuntjes and Satchwell.

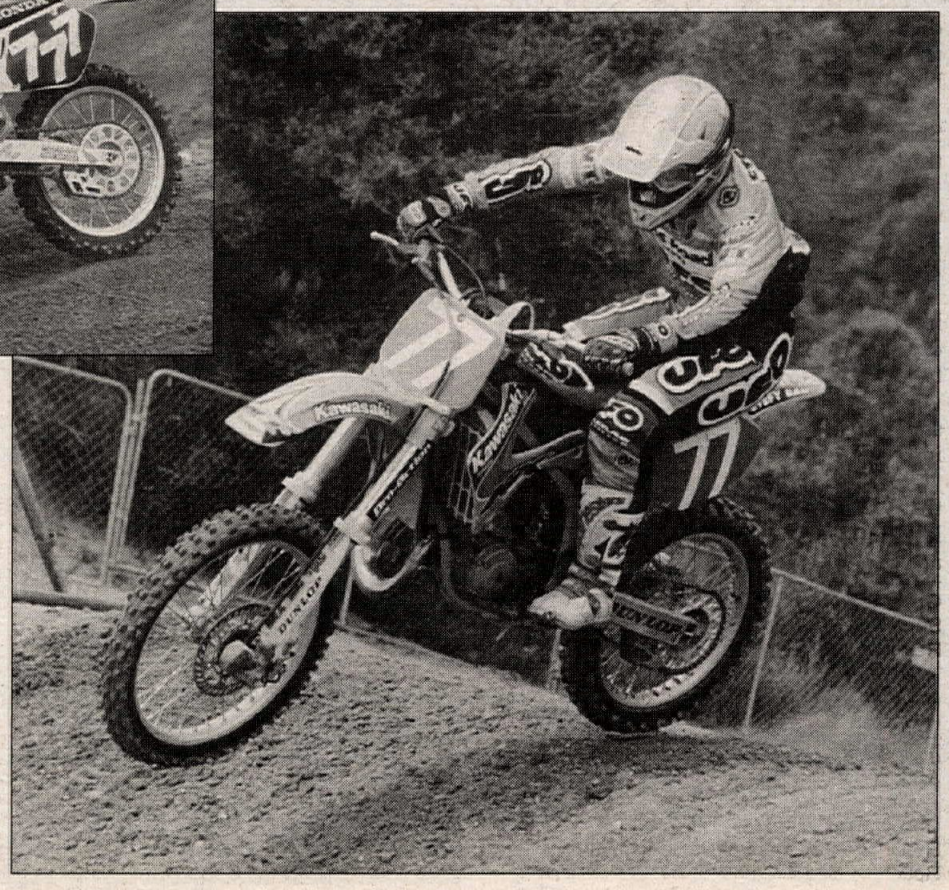
Bau was pleased with her performance following her shaky start, adding that she really liked the long and steep hills on the course.

Keuntjes, who traveled from Wisconsin for the race, was pleased with her performance. She explained how she got into racing.

"I got sick of sitting, watching my brother race, so I decided to try it," she said. "I'm glad I did."

In moto two, Kann seized the holeshot. Kristy Shealy, Satchwell, Traci





(Above) Shelly Kann (4) grabs the holeshot in the 125cc Pro class in the Women's National at Glen Helen. Kann ended up fourth overall.
(Left) Ashley Boham topped the Women's Amateur division.
(Below) Steffy Bau was the big winner. She topped both motos en route to the Pro-class win.

Fleming and Bau were in pursuit. Kann cross-rutted the third turn following the start and Shealy grabbed the lead.

Meanwhile, Bau charged past Fleming for fourth, and halfway through lap one she propelled her way past Satchwell and Kann and into second. Breezing past Shealy on the inside of a turn during lap two, Bau took control of the number-one position.

Bau rode her own race to the finish, developing a 15-second lead over Shealy. Satchwell and Fleming trailed.

"This was more easy, because I started better, so there were only three or four people in front of me," said Bau.

There were 30 racers lined up for the Women's 125cc Amateur-class moto, and it was IMS/RP Racing's Aubriana Dunn who secured the holeshot. Amy Rogers and Ashley Boham were in hot pursuit. It was obvious that FMF/B&B Sportcycles/Champion Nutrition/Loveland Motorsports' Boham was not content to sit in third place, and 45 seconds into the first lap she flew past Rogers for second. In lap three, Dunn hit the dirt in the finish-line turn, allowing Boham to take first. Dunn recovered quickly and was able to hold on to second.

Boham cruised to the finish line for the win, followed by Dunn and Rogers.

"I kind of bogged down in the gate," said a triumphant Boham. "The sand is really deep there. I had to work my way up, but it was worth it."

She also admitted that the ruts made riding difficult.

"I'm from Colorado, and we don't get many ruts there, so the ruts here are kind of hard to work through," Boham added.

Dunn said she was looking forward to the second moto.

"I went down in the first moto, but at least I got the holeshot," Dunn said. "They could take some of the holes out of the uphill. It's really bumpy."

Rogers was also looking forward to the second moto.

"This is an awesome track. I've just got to push it a little more, keep a consistent pace and hopefully come out on top."

Her first-moto experience with soft sand paid off for Boham, who captured the holeshot in the second moto. Laura Little, Kristi Myers and Dunn were in pursuit.

Dunn again got a close look at the dirt, going down in the third turn after the start. She dropped back to fifth, behind Marianna Stringel.

During lap four, Dunn charged past Stringel and Little, placing herself in third.

Boham and Myers distanced themselves from the pack and crossed the finish line one-two. Dunn crossed the finish line in third, followed by Stringel.

"I really concentrated on getting the holeshot this time," Boham said. "I didn't want people to get in front of me, because I have a hard time passing. This was a good experience for me. I ride the same track in Colorado all the time. Riding another track is a lot more fun."

Boham plans to compete at the local tracks around her hometown of Loveland, Colorado, but she also hopes to attend more Nationals in the future. **CN**

Glen Helen Raceway Park
San Bernardino, California
Results: May 8, 1999 (Round 1 of 5)

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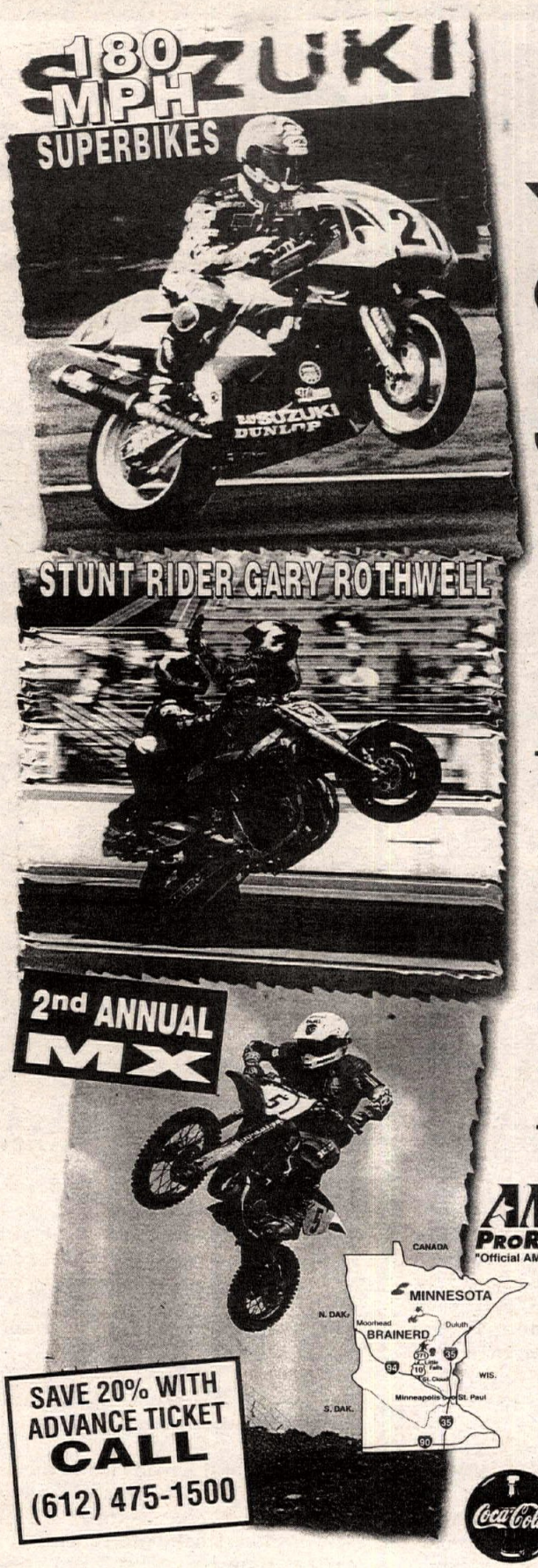

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Stowe strikes gold

(Far left) Tim Stowe roosts out of a turn en route to the overall win at the Fool's Gold Enduro in Georgetown, California. (Left) The second-overall finisher, Team Green's Craig Wesner, kept racer winner Stowe honest all day.

By Chris Burton
and Jill Ashworth Patterson
Photos by Jill Ashworth Patterson

GEORGETOWN, CA, MAY 2

Woodland Cycle's YZ250-mounted Tim J. Stowe struck with lightning-quick precision to claim the overall victory at the 26th annual Fool's Gold Enduro in Georgetown, California. The event was the fourth round of District 36's Northern California Enduro Series and was hosted by the California Enduro Riders Association.

Some 197 riders left the start to begin a tough, three-loop, 102-ground-mile course that offered excellent conditions due to a steady, light rain that began about an hour before the race.

Loop one consisted of tight wooded trails, a long shale downhill, fire roads and a creek crossing. Low speed averages took riders to check one, at 11.9 miles, where most scored zeroes. Next, faster trails along Darling Ridge allowed riders to capitalize on optimal trail conditions.

The first major obstacle of the event, about 25 miles out, was the rain-swollen creek crossing at Rock Creek. The fast-moving current claimed several riders, including top A rider Marty Walden, who watered out his YZ125.

The second check, two miles after the creek, was zeroed by Stowe, Team Green's Craig Wesner and the district's defending champion, Dave Wood.

"There was a right turn out of the creek straight up a steep hill, with only one line," Stowe said. "I had to push my bike about 20 feet up the slippery rocks. Then I railed and barely zeroed the check."

The first special test ensued, combining the tight trees of Ballarat Mountain and a 24-mph speed average for five miles. YZ125-mounted Matt Wallace carded the fastest time at the check-out with a 1:40. Stowe followed with 1:59; then came Wesner and Wood, each dropping 2:03s. XR riders Brodie DeMartile and John S. Poor were next, with 2:19 and 2:32, respectively. A logging road then took riders to the first gas break, at 40 miles.

After the gas stop, the course zigzagged up Bald Mountain, where a hidden check-in was located at 44.4 miles. A special test followed, featuring tight, technical trails with a gnarly, rock-strewn uphill section. The rocky climb, known as Last Chance, was slicker than usual because of the rain.

Riders on the early minutes covered the rocks with a slimy mud layer and the hill became a bottleneck, costing some riders up to 20 minutes of furious tire spinning.

"I was riding on minute five and was able to make it up the slick, rocky hill unscathed," Wesner said.

"I got stuck lots of places, including the hill," laughed Wallace. "It was difficult on those slippery rocks."

Next, tight, manzanita-lined trails, set at 27 mph, prevented competitors from making up lost time. The scores at check five, at 56.1 miles, signaled the turning point of the race.

Stowe blitzed the section with a score of 6:59, followed by Wood with 7:58 and Wesner with 8:39. Wallace, the early leader, got caught in the bottleneck and fell back with an 11:54.

Stowe left the second gas and hit loop three well in the lead, with Wesner behind him in second.

A long fire road took riders up Slate Mountain to a long off-camber trail lined with jagged shale. Stowe, Wesner and DeMartile all dropped one at the next check, but some riders missed the turn-in to the trail, losing valuable time. Wallace and Wood both fell victim to this turn-in, dropping a four and a seven.

"I crashed hard on the slate hill near the Balderston Lookout," Wood said. "I lost almost six minutes getting resituated."

A series of fire roads led to the final special test, which began in a tight, manzanita-filled section. Wallace screamed his small-bore Yamaha to the fastest time of 3:25 and Stowe and Wesner tied with 3:57s, followed by Wood's 4:22.

Some easy Bald Mountain trails then led riders back to camp and the known control finish at 106.5 miles.

Stowe emerged victorious with a final score of 11, partially due to his uncanny ability to get to a check right at the end of his minute.

"I squeaked in two checks at :59 and one at :57," Stowe said. "That gave me the three-point margin over Craig."

Wesner claimed second with 14, and Wallace, Wood, DeMartile and Poor followed in the third through sixth places, all with scores of 19.

"It really feels great to win," Stowe said. "It was more fun since I was riding with two friends, Anthony Van Brocklin and Paul Gerbi, on my minute." CN

Fool's Gold Enduro
Georgetown, California
Results: May 2, 1999 (Round 4)

O/A: 1. Tim Stowe (Yam); 2. Craig Wesner (Kaw); 3. Matt Wallace (Yam); 4. Dave Wood (CRE); 5. John S. Poor (Hon).

AA: 1. Tim Stowe (Yam); 2. Craig Wesner (Kaw); 3. Dave Wood (CRE).

A 200: 1. Matt Wallace (Yam); 2. Craig Hoffman (KTM); 3. Christopher Young (Hon); 4. Robert Wynn (KTM); 5. Loren Higley (Yam).

A 250: 1. Jason Gerbi (Hon); 2. Ben Hatch (Hon); 3. Jim Matheson (Hon); 4. Greg Ruffoni (Kaw); 5. Anthony Van Brocklin (Suz).

A OPEN: 1. Brodie DeMartile (Hon); 2. Michael Hayes (Hon); 3. Chris Slechta (CRE); 4. Shawn McNeil (KTM).

A 4-STRK: 1. John S. Poor (Hon); 2. Russell Pereira (Yam); 3. Scott Meyer (Yam); 4. Glenn Martinson (Yam) 5. Kerry Simpson (ATK).

A VET: 1. James Boardman (Hon); 2. Troy Winslow (KTM); 3. Todd Winslow (Kaw); 4. Marc DeMarco (KTM); 5. Ben Gledhill (Kaw).

A SR: 1. John Poor Jr. (Hon); 2. Chris Von Kleist (Hon); 3. Pete Hansen (KTM); 4. Wayne Hatch (Kaw); 5. Terry Pederson (KTM).

A S/SR: 1. Jeff Carr (KTM); 2. Peter Prichard (KTM); 3. Fred Cameron (TM); 4. Phillip Bishop (Hon); 5. David King (KTM).

B O/A: 1. Scott McEnespy (Hon); 2. Tony Elmore (Hon); 3. Kevin Wiley (Yam); 4. Robert Laird (Hon); 5. Tim Campbell (Suz).

B 250: 1. Scott McEnespy (Hon); 2. Tim Campbell (Suz); 3. Chris Cartwright (KTM); 4. Mike Jura (Hon); 5. Michael Christensen (Suz).

B OPEN: 1. Tony Elmore (Hon); 2. Robert Laird (Hon); 3. David North (KTM); 4. Scott Barnett (KTM) 5. Paul Rivera (Hon).

B 4-STRK: 1. Kevin Ruffoni (Hon) 2. Jared Webster (Hon).

B VET: 1. Kevin Wiley (Yam); 2. Phil Venuti (Hon); 3. Chris Calkins (KTM); 4. Steve Johnson (KTM); 5. Kevin Morris (KTM).

B SR: 1. Fred Habenicht (Kaw); 2. Randy Patterson (Hon); 3. Joe Pelligrini (KTM); 4. James Culver (KTM); 5. Hugo Zwetsloot (KTM).

B S/SR: 1. Mike McEnespy (KTM); 2. Jim Peacock (KTM); 3. Meurig Davies (Kaw); 4. James Young (Hon).

C O/A: 1. John Murphy (Hon); 2. Preston Barker (Hon); 3. Enzo Ferrara (Kaw); 4. Rich Bell (KTM); 5. Steven Poor (Hon).

C 200: 1. David Osborne (KTM); 2. Mike Johnson (KTM); 3. Ron Hoyt (Kaw).

C 250: 1. Justin Nicholson (Hon); 2. Steve Tourdo (Yam) 3. Mark Fulbright (Kaw); 4. Luis Reyes (Kaw); 5. Greg Linehan (Hon).

C OPEN: 1. Preston Barker (Hon); 2. Phil Rittenmeyer (KTM); 3. Brian Itterly (KTM); 4. Jeran Fox (KTM); 5. Matthew Capdeville (Hon).

C 4-STRK: 1. John Murphy (Hon); 2. Steven Poor (Hon); 3. Scott Lawrence (Hus); 4. Roy Hays (Hon); 5. David Arndt (KTM).

C VET: 1. Enzo Ferrara (Kaw); 2. Rich Bell (KTM); 3. Kevin Walker (Kaw); 4. Michael Ramos (Hon); 5. Paul Morrill (Hon).

C SR: 1. Richard Mrofka (Hon); 2. Ross Ross (Hus); 3. Tom Liddicout (KTM); 4. Clay Schmidt (KTM); 5. Dennis Potter (KTM).

C S/SR: 1. Don Chase (Kaw); 2. David Goddard (Hon); 3. Ron Simmons (KTM).

Myers scores

By Don Schneider

SAN BERNARDINO, CA, MAY 8

Scott Myers thumped his way to the overall victory at round one of the Yamaha/Maxxis Tires AMA Western Four-Stroke National Motocross Series at Glen Helen Raceway Park. He went 2-1 for the Yamaha rider's first-ever Four-Stroke National win.

Finishing second on the day was Nathan Woods, who was another rider who pulled off a career-high placing, with a 3-2 tally. Third overall went to Dustin Nelson with a 1-6 tally. Nelson landed the first-moto win, but a second-moto crash denied him any chance for the overall.

Two newcomers to the series - Byron Nelson (6-3) and Bakersfield Yamaha-sponsored Josh Chisum (8-4) - rounded out the top five overall.

Jimmy LaMastus put his Husaberg into the lead at the start of the first moto, only to have Myers, on the The Racers Edge/Applied Racing Yamaha, pass him before the first lap was over.

"I got a good drive up Mount St. Helens and saw Jimmy was fighting the bike a little as he was hitting some bumps," said Myers.

Once out in front, Myers stretched out his lead to eight seconds, while LaMastus started feeling the heat being applied by Yamaha riders Robert Naughton and Dustin Nelson. Nelson, however, was the one on the move, and he slipped his YZ400F around both Naughton and then LaMastus to take over second.

"I felt my pace was faster than anyone's," Nelson said. "I didn't want to go ballistic or anything - just ride a smooth pace."

Nelson didn't stop there. He continued to press hard and started to reel in the leader, Myers. Nelson eventually caught and passed him, going on for the win.

Myers held on to take second over Woods, who finished just ahead of a battling LaMastus and Naughton. Byron Nelson took sixth, followed by Todd Downs, Josh Chisum and Grayson Hart.

Myers squeezed LaMastus out for the holeshot in the second moto, leaving behind a pile of metal and bodies.

"I wasn't going to give him that start again," Myers said. "No matter how I was going to look at it, I was going to lead early again."

As they were dicing for the lead through the first turn, LaMastus clipped a hay bale and went down, causing a chain-reaction pileup.

"I was on the outside of Scotty and then I hit a hay-bale cover," LaMastus said. "I knifed under and went through the berm and crashed."

(Top) Scott Myers (29) leads first-moto winner Dustin Nelson at the Western National Four-Stroke Series opener at Glen Helen.
(Above) This second-moto first-turn pileup took Nelson out of overall contention. Myers went on to win the moto.
(Right) Nathan Woods finished third overall.

Caught in the crash were first-moto winner Dustin Nelson, Downs, Naughton, Sten Rasmussen and Woods.

The race for the win was, for all intents and purposes, over right then and there, as Myers, who had taken second in the first moto, came away in possession of a big lead. Myers went on to win the moto handily, scoring his first overall National win.

"Hey, this is racing, and you never know what's going to happen out there," Myers said. "In fact, it usually happens to me - getting caught up in pileups. Everything went good today."

Woods got back up to finish second in the moto, and he earned second overall for the day. Byron Nelson worked his way back up to third, followed by Chisum, Downs, Dustin Nelson and Naughton. **CN**

Glen Helen Raceway Park
San Bernardino, California
Results: May 8,1999 (Round 1 of 10)

MOTO ONE: 1. Dustin Nelson (Yam); 2. Scott Myers (Yam); 3. Nathan Woods (Yam); 4. Jimmy LaMastus (Hbg); 5. Robert Naughton (Yam); 6. Byron Nelson (Yam); 7. Todd Downs (Yam); 8. Josh Chisum (Yam); 9. Grayson Hart (KTM); 10. Dano Legere (Yam).

MOTO 2: 1. Scott Myers (Yam); 2. Nathan Woods (Yam); 3. Byron Nelson (Yam); 4. Josh Chisum (Yam); 5. Todd Downs (Yam); 6. Dustin Nelson (Yam); 7. Robert Naughton (Yam); 8. Dano Legere (Yam); 9. Sten Rasmussen (Yam); 10. Grayson Hart (KTM).

O/A: 1. Scott Myers (Yam); 2. Nathan Woods (Yam); 3. Dustin Nelson (Yam); 4. Byron Nelson (Yam); 5. Josh Chisum (Yam); 6. Todd Downs (Yam); 7. Robert Naughton (Yam); 8. Jimmy LaMastus (Hbg); 9. Dano Legere (Yam); 10. Grayson Hart (KTM).

AMA YAMAHA/MAXXIS TIRES WESTERN FOUR-STROKE NATIONAL MX SERIES POINT STANDINGS (After 1 of 10 rounds): 1. Scott Myers (48/1 win); 2. Nathan Woods (42); 3. Dustin Nelson (40); 4. Byron Nelson (35); 5. Josh Chisum (31); 6. (TIE) Todd Downs/Robert Naughton (30); 8. Jimmy LaMastus (28); 9. Dano Legere (24); 10. Grayson Hart (23); 11. Sten Rasmussen (22).

Matt McCrummen took 125cc Novice honors during GFI race action in Hollister, California.

AMP/GFI Spring Motocross Series, Round 2

McCrummen rumbles

By Jim and Valerie Enos

HOLLISTER, CA, APR. 18

Matt McCrummen put in two superb motos to take the win in the 125cc Novice class at round two of the AMP/GFI Spring Series. The scene was the Hollister Grand Prix track, and more than 300 riders were treated to beautiful spring weather and excellent track conditions.

With the starter board sideways, the 13-rider gate dropped for moto one and it was Chris Loredo leading the 125cc Novice pack into the first turn. McCrummen, Tommy Jean, Skip Norman and Trafton Chandler followed, with Chandler quickly making his way around Norman to take over fourth. Jean, however, was jamming, and he sailed his Yamaha past McCrummen on a backside tabletop and set out after Loredo. Loredo maintained his lead until the pack hit the tricky left-hander before the Gravity Cavity. Loredo had the lead coming in but exited behind Jean as the duo came down the Gravity Cavity. Jean promptly checked out and left the racing behind him, in the form of Loredo and McCrummen. The two battled until McCrummen took advantage of a bobble by Loredo before the spectator tabletop to take over second. However, McCrummen found that Jean was quite a ways off, and his chances of catching him were slim.

Meanwhile, back in the pack, Chandler had a lock on fourth, and Norman had slid back to sixth, behind the Kawasaki of Aaron Cox. On the last lap, Cox, Norman and Adam Miller battled it out for the fifth position, with Norman getting the best of the trio. At the finish, Jean took a commanding victory, followed by McCrummen, Loredo, Chandler and Norman.

Moto two saw Loredo once again grab the holeshot, but gravity interfered with his plans - he went down in the first turn. McCrummen seized his opportunity and took the lead, followed by Norman, Greg Center and Cox. Jean had a less-than-desirable start and was a ways back in sixth. McCrummen must have sensed Jean's bad start, and he began putting some distance on Norman. Center made a mistake, allowing Miller, Cox and Jean to slip by.

Jean was on a midmoto rampage and made his way up to third, passing Norman and then Miller around the big oak tree. Loredo, who picked up his bike in dead last after his first-turn crash, was putting on an impressive ride as he steadily made his way through the field, eventually making his way back up to fifth. Up front, McCrummen continued to lead, knowing a 2-1 score would give him the overall, but Jean was coming on fast and by the last lap he had made his way up to second. Norman held his ground in third, while Cox held off Loredo for fourth. The checkers came out a little too soon for Jean, as McCrummen took the win with room to spare. Norman cruised in third, with Cox and Loredo rounding out the top five.

In the Pee Wee division, it was little Ty Keenom taking the win in the 50cc (4-6) Stock class. Keenom was the fastest Pee Wee on the track, as he piloted his Cobra to a wire-to-wire victory over Trevor Faulkner. KTM-mounted Richard Rinauro took a 2-1 moto score for the overall on the Pee Wee track in the 50cc (7-8) Stock class, over Matt Hazel. CN

Hollister Motocross Park
Hollister, California
Results: April 18, 1999 (Round 2)

Small Track

50 (4-6) STK PW/JR: 1. Tucker Hopson (Yam); 2. Landon Cohen (Yam).
50 (4-6) STK: 1. Christian Standers (Cob); 2. Dillon Padilla (KTM); 3. Charlie Moore (KTM).
50 (7-8) STK: 1. Richard Rinauro (KTM); 2. Matt Hazel (Cob); 3. Travis Hopson (Cob); 4. Crystal Layton (KTM); 5. Trevor Faulkner (KTM).
50 (7-8) MOD: 1. Nicholas Bacchini (Yam).
50 (0-8) F/T: 1. P.J. Leshinsky (KTM); 2. Kris Eppings (KTM); 3. Brian Johnson (Hus).
50 (0-8) OPEN: 1. Ty Keenom (Cob).

Main Track

50 (4-6) STK: 1. Ty Keenom (Cob); 2. Trevor Faulkner (KTM); 3. C.J. Barham (Cob); 4. Landon Cohen (Yam).
50 (7-8) STK: 1. Christian Standers (Cob); 2. Travis Hopson (Cob); 3. Zak Fredrickson (KTM).
50 OPEN: 1. Brandon Nicholson (KTM); 2. Logan Cohen (HM).
60 F/T: 1. Travis Hopson (Kaw).
60 BEG: 1. Preston Mull (Kaw); 2. Luke Layton (Kaw); 3. Cody Jackson (Kaw); 4. Brandon Reyna (Kaw); 5. Matthew Kent (KTM).
60 NOV: 1. Beau Wiegand (Kaw); 2. Tyler Freeman (Kaw); 3. Kurtis Batey (Kaw); 4. Justin Enos (KTM); 5. Ryan Martin (Kaw).
60 INT: 1. Dustin Enochs (KTM); 2. Greg Fouts (Kaw).
60 OPEN: 1. Tyler Freeman (Kaw); 2. Greg Fouts (Kaw); 3. Nathan Hollister (Kaw); 4. Kurtis Batey (Kaw); 5. Justin Enos (KTM).
80 F/T: 1. Megan Elliot (Kaw); 2. Chris Lofano (Suz); 3. Bryan Jannisse (Yam); 4. Jacob Sanchez (Hon); 5. Kevin Starkweather (Suz).
80 BEG: 1. Anthony Houser (Yam); 2. Jeremy Kneisly (Yam); 3. Darryl Saville (Kaw); 4. Trevor Doniak (Suz); 5. Kyle Kent (Kaw).
80 NOV: 1. Michael Bunyen (Hon); 2. Brett Markarian (Suz); 3. Mike Matson (Yam); 4. Rory Radovich (Hon); 5. David Darsey (Yam).
80 INT: 1. Daniel Sani (Hon); 2. Charlie Morrison (Yam); 3. Eric McCrummen (Yam); 4. Cory McDaniel (Yam); 5. Vincent Blair (Hon).
80 S/MINI: 1. Eric McCrummen (Yam); 2. Daniel Sani (Hon); 3. Cory McDaniels (Yam); 4. Brett Markarian (Suz); 5. Vincent Blair (Hon).
125 BEG: 1. Josh Cox (Suz); 2. Jeremiah Gerber (Yam); 3. Mike Dickerson (Kaw); 4. George Schneider (Yam); 5. Richard Farren (Suz).
125 NOV: 1. Matt McCrummen (Yam); 2. Tommy Jean (Yam); 3. Skip Norman (Yam); 4. Chris Loredo (Yam); 5. Aaron Cox (Kaw).
125 INT: 1. Steve Mertens (Yam); 2. Craig Truglio (Kaw); 3. Turbo Reif (Hon); 4. Evan Laughridge (Suz); 5. Pete Kasten (Suz).
125 PRO: 1. Rich Stephens (Yam); 2. Harold Hageman (Yam); 3. Daniel Blair (Yam); 4. Cody Killiam (Yam); 5. Dennis Stapleton (Suz).
250 BEG: 1. Shay Matts (Hon); 2. Brian Keys (Hon); 3. Tad Brown (Hon); 4. Joe Marphis (Yam); 5. Sean Naffziger (Yam).
250 NOV: 1. Kevin Chapman (Yam); 2. Tommy Jean (Yam); 3. Justin Serugassi (Suz); 4. Chris Loredo (Yam); 5. Olin Green (Hon).
250 INT: 1. Craig Truglio (Kaw); 2. Evan Laughridge (Suz); 3. Turbo Reif (Hon); 4. Chris Platero (Suz); 5. Dylan Vicha (Yam).
250 PRO: 1. Jeff Northrop (Kaw); 2. Dan Paladino (Yam); 3. Mark Workentine (Yam); 4. Dennis Stapleton (Yam).
500 BEG: 1. John Ahles (Hon).
500 NOV: 1. Gary Plaatje (Hon); 2. Steven Storie (Hon).
500 INT: 1. Tim Alarcon (Kaw); 2. Paul Reed (Hon).
500 PRO: 1. Randy Thomson (Yam); 2. Randy Alvarado (Kaw); 3. Dennis Stapleton (Suz); 4. Rappo Kensmore (Yam); 5. Keith Mayes (Yam).
25+ BEG: 1. Brian Keys (Hon); 2. Mark Squires (Hon); 3. Wayne Ward (Hon); 4. Randy Tufts (Yam); 5. Mike Taylor (Hon).
25+ NOV: 1. Olin Green (Hon); 2. Joe Alford (Kaw); 3. Bob Pimentel (Hon); 4. Anthony Leimas (Yam); 5. Steve Storie (Hon).
25+ INT: 1. Kurt Kuhn (Yam); 2. Ken Nolan (Suz).
30+ BEG: 1. Dean Lonskey (Yam); 2. Robert Davis (Yam); 3. Anthony Munoz (Yam); 4. Maxie Ron (Hon); 5. Jim Barnes (Suz).
30+ NOV: 1. Richard Fox (Yam); 2. Craig Ranells (Yam); 3. Tom Conklin (Kaw); 4. John Lea (Hon); 5. Bobby Tabag (Kaw).
30+ INT: 1. Kurt Kuhn (Yam); 2. Steve Storie (Hon); 3. Shawn Fisher (Yam).
30+ PRO: 1. Mike Johnson (Suz); 2. Randy Alvarado (Yam).
35+ NOV: 1. Tom Conklin (Kaw); 2. Craig Ranells (Yam); 3. Ross Robertson (Yam); 4. Randy Lynch (Yam); 5. Pat Saugar (Yam).
35+ INT: 1. Dave Hosaka (Yam); 2. Gary Plaatje (Kaw); 3. Joe Gonzalez (Yam); 4. Steven Storie (Hon); 5. Tim Alvarado (Yam).
40+ NOV: 1. Steve Bacchini (Yam); 2. Kevin Wilkinson (Suz); 3. Mark Mitzel (Hon); 4. Bobby Lynch (Yam).
40+ INT: 1. Joseph Gonzalez (KTM); 2. Craig Ranells (Yam); 3. Alan Loredo (Yam).
WMN: 1. Lynette Wosick (Kaw); 2. Norma Jean Jean (Yam).
U/L NOV: 1. Tommy Jean (Yam); 2. Trafton Chandler (Yam); 3. Skip Norman (Yam); 4. Adam Miller (Kaw); 5. Richard Farren (Suz).
U/L EX: 1. Pete Kasten (Suz); 2. Steve Mertens (Yam); 3. Paul Reed (Hon).

WERA Sportsman Road Race Series
Mid-Central Region

Eisenacher aces Memphis

By Drew Lincoln

MILLINGTON, TN, APR. 24-25

Memphis Motorsports Park is an NHRA (National Hot Rod Association) facility that utilizes a drag strip that is nearly a mile long in conjunction with the seldom-used road-course section when staging road racing events. Memphis, with its ultralong front straightaway and tight and technical back section, is a perfect place to determine which motorcycles have big horsepower numbers as well as good handling. The new Yamaha R-6 and last year's R-1 proved that they have raised the bar in both respects.

Longtime Yamaha campaigner Billy Eisenacher has suffered with the overweight, underpowered 600cc machines that Yamaha has put out over the last several years, and through sheer determination and hard riding he has been able to make them competitive. The WERA A Super Stock National Champion won two of the Yamaha contingency-paying classes on his Dunlop-shod Yamaha R-6 in only his second race on the new bike. In fact, four of the top five places in the C Super Stock and C Superbike money races were filled by the new R-6. Eisenacher was followed by Scott Brown and Larry Denning on Yamahas in the C Super Stock race, with Rocky Gravley slipping his Cycle Products Kawasaki ZX-6R ahead of the last R-6 of Robert Richards. Noticeably missing from the top five in the Super Stock race was Tim Bemisderfer, on another R-6, who DNFed the first race but came back to take second behind the bullet-fast Eisenacher in the C Superbike race later in the day. The Yamahas of Brown and Richards rounded out the top four, while it was Denning's turn to DNF in the Superbike race.

The newest entry into the hotly contested Middleweight ranks proved it has what it takes to win races right out of the box. Just like its smaller counterpart, the revolutionary Yamaha R-1 was the bike to beat in both the Open classes. The entire field had to follow the four R-1s of Eisenacher, Bemisderfer, Brown and Denning in the Yamaha contingency-paying A Super Stock and Formula One classes. Eisenacher had to settle for second behind the R-1 of Greencastle, Pennsylvania's Bemisderfer in the big-bore Super Stock class, with Denning and Brown rounding out the Yamaha sweep of the top positions. Bemisderfer again won the top money in the Formula One race, but this time Brown was able to edge out Eisenacher for second, and Denning was fourth. Curry Justice used his Suzuki GSX-R750 to earn fifth in both races. Continuing where it left off last year, the Yamaha R-1 is an overpowering force to be reckoned with in the Open-class races this year.

Breaking the stranglehold that Yamaha had on the weekend's events was Brian Stokes on his Michelin-equipped Suzuki GSX-R750. Stokes continued to display the winning form he has shown thus far this season by winning both the B Super Stock and B Superbike races on his Marietta Motorsports-backed Suzuki. Stokes and his teammate Chris Caylor have split wins at every regional B Super Stock race they have entered this year, with two wins apiece.

Another multiple-race winner was Chuck Schweain, using his Honda Hawk to win D Superbike and Lightweight Twins, followed closely by Christopher Jones in D Superbike, with Jamie Miller third in D Superbike and second in Lightweight Twins. Jones also beat Miller for second in the Formula Two contest, behind the Honda RS250 of Lee Van Norman. Miller finally got a win in the Clubman race, in front of the Aprilia of Mike Kinzer.

Mike Byrd put his Yamaha FZR400 to work by winning the D Superbike Novice contest and the Formula Two Novice race, ahead of Luke Nievar and Shawn Thompson, respectively. Nievar, on his Honda Hawk, came back to win the Lightweight Twins Novice race from Steve Reeves on an Aprilia RS250, while Reeves went on to win the Clubman Novice race over Jeffrey Rozycki and Shawn Quickert. Tim Brewer and Brian Hayes swapped wins and seconds in the B Production and C Production Novice races, with Brewer winning the 600cc class and Hayes the 750cc class. Rick Fairbairn used a Suzuki GSX-R750 to win the B Superbike Novice race over Scott Woodfin, who put his GSX-R600 in front of Jason Smith and Brian Vogel in the C Superbike Novice class. CN

Memphis Motorsports Park
Millington, Tennessee
Results: April 24-25, 1999

A S/STK: 1. Timothy J. Bemisderfer (Yam); 2. Billy N. Eisenacher (Yam); 3. Larry Denning (Yam); 4. Scott Brown (Yam); 5. Curry Justice (Suz).
B S/STK: 1. Brian Stokes (Suz); 2. Curry Justice (Suz); 3. Wade Buffington (Suz); 4. Jamie R. Lane (Suz); 5. Byron Barbour (Suz).
C S/STK: 1. Billy N. Eisenacher (Yam); 2. Scott

Brown (Yam); 3. Larry Denning (Yam); 4. Rocky D. Gravley (Kaw); 5. Robert Richards (Yam).

B PROD: 1. Brian K. Hayes (Suz); 2. Tim Brewer (Hon); 3. John W. Thames III (Hon); 4. Allan B. McClure (Kaw); 5. Bob Henderson (Yam).

C PROD: 1. Tim Brewer (Hon); 2. Brian K. Hayes (Suz); 3. Wrenn Smith (Hon); 4. Greg Miles (Suz); 5. Gambrill Lynn Jr.

B S/BK EX: 1. Brian Stokes (Suz); 2. Curry Justice (Suz); 3. Jamie R. Lane (Suz); 4. Wade Buffington (Suz); 5. Mike deBrabant (Suz).

B S/BK NOV: 1. Rick Fairbairn (Suz); 2. Scott Woodfin (Suz); 3. Jerome Cantey (Suz); 4. Benjamin Baker (Suz); 5. Brian Vogel (Suz).

C S/BK EX: 1. Billy N. Eisenacher (Yam); 2. Timothy J. Bemisderfer (Yam); 3. Scott Brown (Yam); 4. Robert Richards (Yam); 5. Colin Crichton (Suz).

C S/BK NOV: 1. Scott Woodfin (Suz); 2. Jason S. Smith (Kaw); 3. Brian Vogel (Suz); 4. Tim Brewer (Hon); 5. Wrenn Smith (Hon).

D S/BK EX: 1. Chuck Schweain (Hon); 2. Christopher Jones (Yam); 3. Jamie Miller (Yam); 4. Mike Kinzer (Apr).

D S/BK NOV: 1. Mike Byrd (Yam); 2. Luke Nievar (Hon); 3. Agan Alkan (Yam); 4. Steve Reeves (Apr); 5. Tracee Stephen Polcin (Yam).

F-1 EX: 1. Timothy J. Bemisderfer (Yam); 2. Scott Brown (Yam); 3. Billy N. Eisenacher (Yam); 4. Larry Denning (Yam); 5. Curry Justice (Suz).

F-1 NOV: 1. Benjamin Baker (Suz); 2. Jason S. Smith (Kaw); 3. Owen L. Reid (Suz); 4. Jerome Cantey (Suz); 5. Benjamin Lilly (Hon).

F-2 EX: 1. Lee Van Norman (Hon); 2. Christopher Jones (Yam); 3. Jamie Miller (Yam); 4. Darren Martin (Yam).

F-2 NOV: 1. Mike Byrd (Yam); 2. Shawn A. Thompson (Yam); 3. Agan Alkan (Yam); 4. Tracee Stephen Polcin (Yam); 5. Steve Scott (Yam).

GP: 1. Paige S. Hearn (Hon).

H/W TW EX: 1. Rob Palmieri (Suz); 2. Tripp Volz (Suz).

H/W TW NOV: 1. Rob Watson (Suz); 2. Charles McCullough (Duc); 3. Scott G. Mangrum (Suz); 4. Michael Park (Duc); 5. Wolfgang Burnside (Duc).

L/W TW EX: 1. Chuck Schweain (Hon); 2. Jamie Miller (Yam); 3. Mike Kinzer (Apr); 4. Mark Garrett (Duc).

L/W TW NOV: 1. Luke Nievar (Hon); 2. Steve Reeves (Apr); 3. Rick Guirey (Yam); 4. Charles McCullough (Duc); 5. William Glasgow (Suz).

CLBMN EX: 1. Jamie Miller (Yam); 2. Mike Kinzer (Apr).

CLBMN NOV: 1. Steve Reeves (Apr); 2. Jeffrey M. Rozycki (Yam); 3. Shawn Quickert (Yam); 4. Rick Guirey (Yam); 5. William Glasgow (Suz).

AHRMA Western Regional Flat Track Series Round 2

Waxing nostalgic at Lodi ST

By Dennis Suter

LODI, CA, APR. 25

The second round of AHRMA's Western Regional Flat Track Series was held at the newly revamped Lodi Cycle Bowl, a fixture of California dirt track heritage since the early 1950s. Turns one and two now have a slight banking, and the TT track no longer runs outside the oval.

Nick Nazzasi led the Sportsman 250cc class until he dropped his bike in turn three on the second lap for a DNF. Ken Netto and his strong-running Can-Am assumed the first position, which he held to the finish. Jeff Lessley and Manny Crummett, both on Bultacos, contested second place for the full eight-lap main. Crummett's outside charge at the flag fell just short, and Lessley kept second place.

Tom Horton seized his Classic 250cc Ossa in practice, but he hauled out his Suzuki X-6 twin for the main. He used it to grab the holeshot and hold on for the win. A very competitive Harley four-stroke single was ridden to second by Jerry Bland, with the Bultacos of Jeff Lessley and Tom Booth in third and fourth.

The Sportsman 600cc riders again showed some of the best vintage racing action. Rick Hocking blasted his Astro 360 off the line with class favorite Brad Spencer in tow. On the fourth lap, Spencer was able to get under Hocking coming out of two and hold on for the lead in the ensuing drag race down the back straight. Hocking kept the pressure on Spencer but was unable to retake the lead. Dominic Demario, on a bored-out SL250 Honda, finished third.

Spencer also won the new '70s Singles class on a TT Yamaha. AHRMA promoter Greg Gilmore, from Moundhouse, Nevada, held second until Paul Herman passed him midrace. Mike Gonzales and Ron Hinton also passed Gilmore on the last lap for third and fourth.

Triumph rider John Proto grabbed the Sportsman 750cc lead from the green. Unfortunately, he dropped the big twin on the third go-around and handed the lead to Eric Wrisler. Wrisler's glory was short-lived, though, as Tom Horton blasted past on the next lap for the win. Horton also won the Vet Over 35 class, ahead of Ken Netto and Jeff Lessley. Triumph-mounted Tom Booth was never headed in the very competitive Senior Over 50 class. Ralph Lee kept second over Warren Adams on another beautiful Triumph. Hank Cosio brought his BSA home for first in the Super Senior Over 60 contest.

Michelle DiSalvo was unable to overtake Jesse Sanchez in the Support-class main. Lap after lap, she was right there, but she could not find a way around Sanchez, who stayed low and protected the lead. Some shuffling occurred behind them, as Dana Perri got to third and Scott Whitaker finished fourth. **CN**

Lodi Cycle Bowl
Lodi, California
Results: April 25, 1999 (Round 2)

CLSC 250: 1. Tom Horton (Oss); 2. Jerry Bland (H-D); 3. Jeff Lessley (Bul); 4. Tom Booth (Bul).

CLSC 500/750: 1. Chris Rudy (H-D); 2. Jeff Apple (H-D).

CLSC OPEN: 1. Gary Davis (Tri); 2. Chris Apple (Tri).

SPTSMN 250: 1. Ken Netto (C-A); 2. Manny Crummett (Bul); 3. Jeff Lessley (Bul); 4. Chris Rudy (Bul); 5. Tom Horton (Yam).

SPTSMN 600: 1. Brad Spencer (Hon); Rick Hocking (Bul); 3. Dominic Demario (Hon).

SPTSMN 750: 1. Tom Horton (Tri); 2. Joe DiSalvo (Tri); 3. Eric Wrisler (Tri); 4. John Proto (Tri).

NOV 250: 1. Roger Wrisler (Bul); 2. Joe Hoogenhyde (Bul); 3. John Frank (Bul); 4. Cliff Nagatani (Yam).

NOV 600: 1. Joe Hoogenhyde (Hon); 2. Gary Swan (Tri); 3. Dave Cheney (Bul).

VET 35+: 1. Tom Horton (Tri); 2. Ken Netteo (C-A); 3. Jeff Lessley (Bul).

SR 50+: 1. Tom Booth (Yam); 2. Ralph Lee (Tri); 3. Warren Adams (Tri); 4. Tom DiSalvo (Tri).

S/SR 60+: 1. Hank Cosio (BSA).

'70s SGL: 1. Brad Spencer (Yam); 2. Paul Herman (Yam); 3. Mike Gonzalez (Yam); 4. Ron Hinton (BSA); 5. Greg Gilmore (Hon).

SUP: 1. Jesse Sanchez (Rtx); 2. Michelle DiSalvo (Rtx); 3. Dana Perri (Rtx); 4. Scott Whitaker (Hon); 5. Paul Sanborn (Yam).

West Coast Vintage Flat Trak Series Round 2

Ferrell feral

By Fred Windum

ROSAMOND, CA, APR. 25

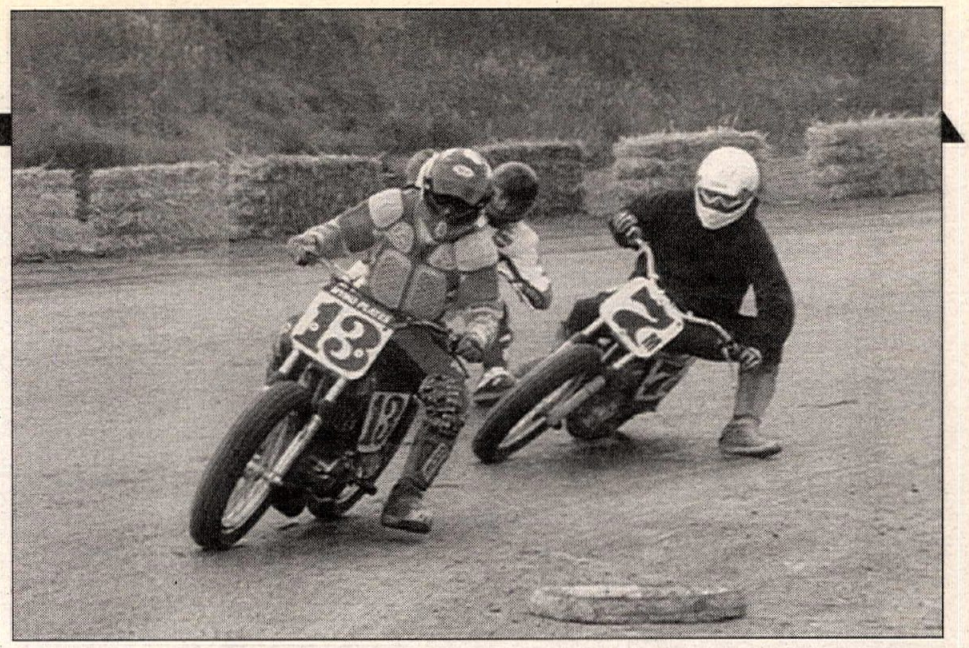
Dubb Ferrell dusted off his leathers and preyed on the competition at the second round of Eddie Mulder's West Coast Vintage Flat Track Series. Even though this was a rain date for the April 11 race, the turnout was still good at Willow Springs' immaculately prepared cushion half mile.

With no brakes and no rear suspension, Bob Nichol's big 1937 Indian twin was similar to Dubb Ferrell's old speedway ride, and he showed that he had lost none of his ability to win. Starting was another matter. Fellow speedway rider Eddie Castro, still not used to the foot-operated clutch on the Dodge Brothers Indian, was sent to the back row for leaving early - twice! Dave Duvarney, a regular in the Dinosaur class, left the line ahead of Ferrell while Castro pulled third from the back row. Castro's bike slowed as Gordon Menzie powered past on his trusty Royal Enfield for third. Ferrell, riding Nichol's 1940 Indian, charged past Duvarney to take over the lead as Castro's bike came apart going into turn one, leaving a trail of rare and broken parts. Ferrell took the win ahead of his teammate Duvarney, with Menzie and Rick Gill behind.

Clark Edgington and Gordon Menzie led Matt Campbell, David Brown and Jerry Duttweiler at the start of the Classic 500 race. Edgington, on a 1967 Triumph, took a high line around the outside of Menzie, carrying more speed down the back chute to take over the lead. After missing a shift on the start, Duttweiler was on the move through the pack, taking third away from Brown and closing on Menzie, pulling into second going into turn three. Edgington, thinking he had a good lead, was set on cruise control, but Duttweiler was working a line just to the outside and behind him, and he was closing. When the white flag was about to come out, Duttweiler squared the corner in turn four and drove underneath Edgington to lead. Duttweiler kept his Triumph out front to the checkered flag to take the win from Edgington, ahead of Menzie, Brown and Campbell.

The track surface had been prepped in such a manner that races could be run immediately after the water truck doused the track, without leaving any slick or muddy spots, and deep enough for the big bikes to really run. Jeff Johnson of Rialto once again went home with the Modern 750cc race win, while Steve Miller won the race for second over Jeff Johnson and Scott Dunlavey. Ron Gould took top honors in the Super Senior race on his BSA 500, ahead of Yamaha-mounted Marshall Jennings. John Lundgren won the overall on a two-valve Honda 350 in the combined Classic and Modern 250 race, while Jim McMurren and his Harley Sprint grabbed the Classic trophy. Ryan Fisher trounced the 600cc Support race with a flawless ride on Ron Wood's monoshock Wood-Rotax.

Keith Bradford had everything together on his custom-framed TT500 for the 500cc Support race, pulling away after a short scuffle with John Lundgren. Jeff Johnson and James Steet soon joined Lundgren; Johnson passed the little 350cc Honda and set his sights on Bradford, but Bradford was in a race of his own, knocking off the laps like clockwork. Lundgren, hugging the pole, started gaining on Johnson, and at the crossed flags he took second back. Bradford continued with his steady rhythm. Lundgren closed the gap slightly, but not enough by the finish. Johnson watched from third. Steet was fourth, followed by Dave Stearns and Lenny Rodriguez. **CN**



Former AMA Grand National competitor Rick Hocking (13) holds the lead early in the Sportsman 600cc main at the AHRMA Lodi short track. Hocking wound up second, behind winner Brad Spencer.

Willow Springs
Rosamond, California
Result: April 25, 1999 (Round 2)

DINO: 1. Dubb Ferrell (Ind); 2. Dave Duvarney (Ind); 3. Gordon Menzie (R-E); 4. Rick Gill (AJS).

CLSC 250: 1. Jim McMurren (H-D); 2. Joe Pape (H-D).

CLSC 500: 1. Jerry Duttweiler (Tri); 2. Clark Edgington (Tri); 3. Gordon Menzie (R-E); 4. David Brown (BSA); 5. Matt Campbell (Tri).

S/SR / SR NOV: 1. Ron Gould (BSA); 2. Marshall Jennings (Yam); 3. Larry Harness (Tri); 4. Ron Knowles (W-R); 5. Tim Saueressig (Tri).

SR 50+: 1. Gordon Menzie (R-E).

MDRN 250: 1. John Lundgren (Bul); 2. Kenny Malaguarnero (Hon); 3. Brian Coakley (Bul).

MDRN 500: 1. David Brown.

MDRN 750: 1. Jeff Johnson (Tri); 2. Steve Miller (Yam); 3. Jeff Johnson (Tri); 4. Scott Dunlavey (Tri); 5. Brian Coakley (Yam).

SUP 500: 1. Keith Bradford (Yam); 2. John Lundgren (Hon); 3. Jeff Johnson (Yam); 4. James Steet (Yam); 5. Dave Stearns (Yam).

SUP 600: 1. Ryan Fisher (W-R); 2. Akira Kazuoka (W-R); 3. Bob Cobb (Yam); 4. Wayne Warrington (Hon).

Missouri Hare Scrambles Series, Round 2

Leivan controls Competition

By Frank Leivan

COMPETITION, MO, APR. 18

For the second time in as many races, Steve Leivan claimed the overall win in a Missouri Hare Scrambles Championship event. Leivan battled the first half of the race with Mike Windmann and Chris Thiele, the number-two and -three riders in the series in 1998, before pulling away and securing the overall victory.

The Missouri Dirt Riders laid out a 7.5-mile course at Elk Valley Raceway that consisted of very rocky and loose terrain, with many off-camber hills that kept speed averages for the leaders at just over 18 mph. Front-runners completed five laps; 45 of the 198 riders finished on the lead lap.

Chris Thiele took his first holeshot of the year on his KX250, with Chris Nesbitt, KTM rider Mike Windmann, Rick Matteson and Yamaha-mounted Tanner England in hot pursuit. Leivan started off in the sixth position but quickly found his way into third. Windmann moved into the lead with Thiele in tow, and the top three began to pull away from the rest of the pack.

About three miles into the second lap, Leivan took over the front position, due to lapped-rider problems that both Windmann and Thiele encountered. On a very tricky uphill, Windmann tried an alternate line and became momentarily hung up, allowing Thiele and Leivan to

pass. Thiele made it to the top of the same hill before getting hooked up with a lapper while trying to pass, but Windmann soon retook the lead after Leivan had problems on a hill.

Five seconds separated the top three after two laps, while Leigh Letellier held on to fourth just over a minute back. Letellier, who has only ridden selected rounds for the last few years, was making his first appearance in 1999, and he had his KTM 200 on the gas, at the front of what had become a seven-rider freight train after 50 minutes of racing on the technical course.

On the third lap, Windmann had more problems with traffic and surrendered the lead back to Leivan. Thiele was able to take over second before Windmann could get untangled from a tree/fence/lapper situation. It was at this point that Leivan picked up the pace and tried to make a break.

"Everything was good until I made a mistake trying to get around a lapper and nearly went down," said Leivan. "It blew my momentum and Chris (Thiele) got around me."

With the white flag imminent, Leivan made another bid for the lead by choosing a longer but smoother line in a rutted field, while Thiele nearly became stuck by going the shorter route. Just after taking over the lead, Leivan got a break in traffic that may have changed the complexion of the race. When the two leaders came upon a pack of four lapped riders, Leivan worked through them quickly, while Thiele was not so fortunate. Thiele went down while trying to move through the traffic.

"I tried to go between two guys and their lines came back together and I endoed between them," said Thiele.

Thiele got going, still in second, and he was running 30 seconds behind Leivan when the white flag came out. Windmann was still in third, but he had dropped nearly two minutes off the pace. Nesbitt had taken over fourth, while Ken Yount had moved up to fifth.

Leivan pulled out all the stops on the final circuit, chopping more than a minute off of his previous lap times. He completed the lap with no major problems and finished with a gap of slightly over two minutes and his second consecutive victory in hand.

Thiele brought his Team Green ride home in the runner-up position with a couple of minutes to spare on Windmann. Both riders turned in strong rides and, after being series contenders throughout 1998, they appear to be in contention again. Letellier completed a great ride to finish in fifth, picking up two positions on the final lap. Dwight Maggard came back from an early deficit to finish sixth after completing lap one in 12th. Dan Burgard, another rider who went toward the front all day, rode his Yamaha into seventh, 17 seconds ahead of Brandon Forrester. England, who was up front early, took the checkers in ninth, while Yount had his share of problems on the last lap to end up 10th. **CN**

Missouri Hare Scrambles Series
Competition, Missouri
Results: April 18, 1999 (Round 2)

O/A: 1 Steve Leivan (Yam); 2. Chris Thiele (Kaw); 3. Mike Windmann (KTM); 4. Chris Nesbitt (Yam); 5. Leigh Letellier (KTM); 6. Dwight Maggard (Yam); 7. Dan Burgard (Yam); 8. Brandon Forrester (Yam); 9. Tanner England (Yam); 10. Ken Yount (Yam).

AA: 1. Chris Thiele (Kaw); 2. Mike Windmann (KTM); 3. Chris Nesbitt (Yam); 4. Leigh Letellier (KTM); 5. Dwight Maggard (Yam).

A: 1. Ryan Wuebbeling (Yam); 2. Rusty Reynaud (Yam); 3. Matt Faletti (Kaw); 4. Kevin Borts (Suz); 5. Gary Mittelberg (Yam).

125 B: 1. Shawn Sanders (Yam); 2. Josh Murray (Suz); 3. Jason Dill (Kaw); 4. James Sloan (Yam); 5. Mike Hulsey (Kaw).

200 B: 1. Steve Crews (Kaw); 2. Brett Skaggs (KTM); 3. Troy Tam (Kaw); 4. Robert Armon (Kaw); 5. Sean Palmer (Kaw).

250 B: 1. Jason Stegall (Kaw); 2. John Struckhoff (Suz); 3. Tim Gibson (Yam); 4. Danny Crawford (Hon); 5. Matt Weis (Yam).

250 C: 1. Lars Valin (Hon); 2. Kermit Turner (KTM); 3. David Danz (Yam); 4. Michael Hamilton (Yam); 5. Sam Cook (Hon).

OPEN B: 1. Brian Richardson (Hus); 2. Karl Harris (Hon); 3. Tom Prenger (KTM); 4. Duane Rambo (Hon); 5. David Taylor (Kaw).

4-STRK B: 1. Aaron Shaw (Yam); 2. Neal Vanway (Yam); 3. Danny Herberlie (Yam); 4. Larry Miinch (Hon); 5. Les Busenbark (Yam).

VET: 1. Dave Berry (Suz); 2. Rick Kinkelaar (Yam); 3. Kreg Simons (Yam); 4. Brian Sharp (Kaw); 5. John Banes (Kaw).

SR: 1. Brad Barnett (Yam); 2. Steve Underwood (KTM); 3. Bill Gold (Yam); 4. Jay William (Yam); 5. Jimmy Jones (Kaw).

S/SR: 1. Lee Glenn (Hon); 2. Bob Caplinger (Yam); 3. Frank Leivan (Yam); 4. Rick Carpenter (KTM); 5. Gerald Frericks (KTM).

WMN: 1. Sherri Declue (Kaw); 2. Michele Eidam (KTM); 3. Rebecca Jackson (Kaw); 4. Amanda Lappe (Hon).

JR: 1. Zack Mabery (Hon); 2. Steve Akers (Kaw); 3. Jeremy Hansen (Yam); 4. Derrick Scott (Yam); 5. Sam Lawson (Hon).

TR: 1. Mike Dieckhaus (Yam); 2. Brent Walter (Hon); 3. Sam Boenker (Kaw); 4. Matt Urness (KTM); 5. Rick Adams (Hon).

Australian Speedway

Aussies rule Sydney Showground

By Peter Baker
Photo by David Lamont

HOMEBUSH, AUSTRALIA, MAY 1

Four American speedway riders traveled to Australia for the first-ever speedway meeting at the new Sydney Showground arena, and they probably wish they had not done so.

Team captains Bobby Schwartz (left) and Mick Poole (right) do battle at the Sydney Showground Speedway in Australia. The Aussies went on to dominate the Americans, who suffered with bike problems on the inconsistent racing surface.

Bobby Schwartz, Charlie Venegas, Shawn McConnell and Gary Hicks were on the wrong end of a 55-23 score after the 13-heat match against an Australian team in the feature attraction on the program.

Anyone who knows anything about Australian speedway will have heard of the Sydney Showground. It is the most famous venue in the history of the sport in Australia, having first hosted the sport in the 1920s and running full seasons of racing right through to the summer of 1980-81.

Local residents then won their long battle to close down the "noisy" activity, and it was turned into a once-a-year only show that was staged from 1988 through to its final demise in 1996. At that stage, the old Sydney Showground, situated close to the city center, was taken over by Rupert Murdoch's Fox Studios, with, sadly, the old track and surrounding grandstands virtually disappearing.

The new Showground in the "Olympic Zone" at Homebush, west of the city, will host the baseball events in the 2000 Olympics, as well as other sports in some of the pavilions on the grounds which are just a few minutes' walk from the main stadium. When Terry Poole, regular promoter of the Gosford Speedway, north of Sydney, and his partner got the go-ahead from the ground controllers to stage speedway events, the only available date (after the baseball season and Easter Show) was Saturday, May 1.

For speedway bike and sidecar racing, the track did not require any additional fencing as it would for car racing, but the biggest problem facing the promoters was the need for a headlining speedway attraction.

There was plenty of nostalgia, with parades and demonstrations by stars of the old Showground days (with the meeting opened by Ivan Mauger and Jim Airey), and there was a classy sidecar lineup from four states, but the time of year ruled out any topline speedway competitors, who had just started their European season.

Instead, an Australia vs. USA match was devised, with Schwartz and his countrymen flying in only 48 hours before the meeting and having a brief practice session on Friday night. The riders opted not to bring their own bikes with them - an arrangement that both the promoters and the riders were to later regret.

While the international match was promoted as the major attraction, it promised much but delivered little except for a resounding win for the home team, with a few thrilling finishes, and it was undoubtedly the sidecars which provided the best racing action.

The Australian team was made up of Mick Poole and Stephen Davies, both of whom now only race at home after lengthy careers in the British League; former National Champion but now semiretired Troy Butler; and young Jason Hawkes, who still aspires to break into the British scene. It was the best that Australia could track at the time.

The further the match went, the more embarassing the score got for the Americans, as two second placings by Hicks, ahead of Hawkes and Davies, were the only times that the Aussies did not score 5-1s when both their riders finished. Butler, riding a bike prepared by another former National Champion, John Titman, was the top scorer, with a paid maximum. Poole claimed fastest time and provided the biggest thrills with two storming finishes after slow starts.

Even allowing for the occasions when either Poole or Davies failed to finish, the Aussies were well-prepared and on form. For the visitors, on the other hand, very little went right.

Schwartz later acknowledged that the American team's decision to accept local bikes was wrong, as was the presumption that "someone would help them." Having been told by the promoter that there were plenty of bikes available, the visitors found one good bike out of the four made available to them. The others were simply "not up to standard," Schwartz said.

In heat one, Schwartz struggled to start his bike. It blew smoke, the chain guard knocked the chain off, and Schwartz never recovered. He scored just one second place when Poole withdrew and then stood down from his final ride, allowing local rider Ty Platt to take his place unannounced.

The 470-meter track (with barely 50 meters that you could call a straight) was something that the Americans could not take to, particularly having come straight off the tiny bullring oval in Costa Mesa in the United States.

"It's not a speedway, it's a dirt track oval," Schwartz said.

Other factors that caused the visitors to struggle were the dark nature of the fence, which made it hard to find your bearings on the track, and a very inconsistent track surface caused, no doubt, by it being the first meeting after plenty of rain the preceding week. The conditions were the same for the Aussies, but Schwartz was adamant that the locals were far more used to what is the inevitably rough and inconsistent track surface in Australia.

It appeared that at least Hicks headed home with new fans, as the first-timer to Australia never stopped chasing hard and was a party to the only genuine battles in the match. Both Venegas and McConnell were also on their first trip to Australia, and fans quite simply never got to know how good they are because of the obstacles that confronted them.

Schwartz later admitted to being embarrassed by the team's - and particularly his own - performance. The former two-time World Best Pairs Champion has built up a great reputation from previous visits to Australia, as far back as a trip to the old Sydney Showground with Bruce Penhall in 1980 and obviously highlighted by his 1982 World Pairs victory at Liverpool with Dennis Sigalos. At this event, he was still the same amiable person off the track and said the team had a fun time during their short stay, but you can be sure that if he comes back, he will be far better equipped to live up to his past deeds.

A disappointing crowd turnout due to the weather and some inevitable teething problems with a new venue means Aussie fans will probably have to reserve judgement on the track until after more meetings, with major attractions planned for next summer. **CN**

Sydney Showground
Sydney, Australia
Results: May 1, 1999

O/A: 1. Australia 55 (Troy Butler 18, Jason Hawkes 15, Mick Poole 14, Stephen Davies 8); 2. USA 23 (Gary Hicks 11, Shawn McConnell 6, Bobby Schwartz 2, Charlie Venegas 2, Ty Platt [Reserve] 2).

Bridenbaker cooks at Spring Series Motocross

By Bret Eckert

SACRAMENTO, CA, APR. 23
Round one of KB Racing's MC Concepts/Racers Pit Shop/Roseville Cycle/Rancho MC Dismantling-sponsored Spring Series is in the books, with Cole Bridenbaker taking the honors in the Schoolboy Novice division. Bridenbaker came from behind in both motos to take the wins and the early lead in the six-race Spring Series.

All classes in this kickoff round were filled to capacity, and riders were greeted with a fresh track layout. The Schoolboy Novice division was no exception, and it also had a full gate of Beginners ready to follow on the second wave. Casey Ahrens put his Yamaha out in front early on as Bridenbaker, Rick Schaffner, Bobby Meyer and Chris Van Meter filled the top five positions. Ahrens maintained control of the moto while Bridenbaker kept the pressure on. The first disruption to the positions of the lead riders occurred midway through the moto, when Kyle Marsalla overtook Van Meter and made his way into the top five.

As the laps wound down, Bridenbaker put on a charge and zapped Ahrens on the white-flag lap. Bridenbaker held on to take the checkers, with Ahrens second and Meyer third. Marsalla also showed a last-lap burst of speed, taking fourth over the Yamaha of Schaffner.

Moto two saw some familiar names and some new names taking the top positions after the riders sorted themselves out through the first few turns. Ahrens again claimed the holeshot, with Bridenbaker in tow; Cassidy Stafford nailed down third, while Meyer and Van Meter claimed fourth and fifth, respectively. The action was all up front in moto two, as Bridenbaker and Ahrens battled for the lead. The moto turned into a replay of the first, with Bridenbaker using the last-lap signal to herald his charge for the lead, overtaking Ahrens in time to take the win. Following Bridenbaker's Kawasaki was an all-Yamaha show as Ahrens, Stafford, Meyer and Van Meter rode the blue machines across the finish.

Bridenbaker's back-to-back moto wins claimed the overall, with Ahrens consistently earning second. Third for the night went to Meyer, with a 3-4 score. Stafford's much-improved second-moto third combined with a first-moto seventh claimed fourth, and Van Meter earned fifth on the night. Bridenbaker's win puts him in front in the Schoolboy Novice class for the series, but with five rounds remaining and the level of competition as high as it is, the title is up for grabs.

Results

50 PW/JR: 1. Jerrad Colvin (Yam); 2. Brett Schopp (Yam); 3. Calvin LaCurelle (Yam); 4. Sawyer Adams (Yam); 5. Ivoree Howell (Yam).

50 (4-6) BEG: 1. Ty Keenom (Cob); 2. Stuart Luper (Cob); 3. Jared Ney (Lem); 4. C.J. Barham (Cob); 5. Christian Sanders (Cob).

50 (7-9) BEG: 1. Lonnie Owen (Lem); 2. Brett Hammann (KTM); 3. Ty Keenom (Cob); 4. C.J. Barham (Cob); 5. Keith Knight (HM).

50 NOV: 1. Dylan Ney (Lem); 2. Austin Howell (Oss); 3. Jared Lang (Lem); 4. Joshua McPherson (KTM); 5. Ricky Adams (Act).

65 BEG: 1. Michael Sullivan (Kaw); 2. Kevin Lucas (Kaw); 3. Matthew Kent (KTM); 4. Nethario Jones (Kaw); 5. Ben Kaslin (Kaw).

65 NOV: 1. Matthew Spencer (Kaw); 2. J.D. Moore (Kaw); 3. Kramer Patterson (Kaw); 4. Joey Harris (Kaw); 5. Beau Wiegand (Kaw).

65 INT: 1. Ryan Ferris (Kaw); 2. Kyle Parino (Kaw).

85 (8-12) BEG D-1: 1. Stenson Womack (Kaw); 2. Bradley Kelly (Yam); 3. Carl Madsen (Kaw); 4. Joshua Hartwig (Kaw); 5. Cary Tiede (Hon).

85 (8-12) BEG D-2: 1. Ryan Reffner (Yam); 2. Ryan Olson (Suz); 3. J.D. Moore (Hon); 4. Cody Hanson (Kaw); 5. Chris Hess (Yam).

85 (13-16) BEG: 1. Danny Harris (Kaw); 2. Travis Williams (Hon); 3. Nick Richardson (Kaw); 4. James Sparhawk (Kaw); 5. Matt Sullivan (Hon).

85 NOV: 1. Adam Kowalczyk (Suz); 2. Thomas Bushey (Kaw); 3. Rory Radovich (Hon); 4. Ryan Ferris (Suz); 5. Kyle Parino (Duc).

85 INT: 1. Rick Schaffner (Yam).

125 SCHBY BEG: 1. Donny Stommel (Yam); 2. Jamey Dille (Suz); 3. George Lahargoue (Kaw); 4. Brian Fedorchak (Hon); 5. Robert Mayfield (Kaw).

125 SCHBY NOV: 1. Cole Bridenbaker (Kaw); 2. Casey Ahrens (Yam); 3. Bobby Meyer (Yam); 4. Cassidy Stafford (Yam); 5. Chris Van Meter (Yam).

125 BEG D-1: 1. David Gassin (Yam); 2. Chris Van Meter (Yam); 3. Scott Adams (Hon); 4. John Ledbetter (Suz); 5. Jamey Dille (Suz).

125 BEG D-2: 1. Steve Bouska (Kaw); 2. Tim Coppedge (Hon); 3. Allen Kenyon (Suz); 4. Josh Jenkins (Yam); 5. Brian Ballard (Hon).

125 NOV: 1. Greg Center (Yam); 2. Matt Veerkamp (Kaw); 3. Cassidy Stafford (Yam); 4. Mike Yacovetti (Kaw); 5. Michael Carnes (Yam).

125 INT: 1. Jesse Dawson (Suz); 2. James Kowalla (Kaw); 3. Ben Weisenberg (Yam).

250 BEG D-1: 1. Frank Chavez (Hon); 2. John Hatfield (Kaw); 3. Louis Webb (Hon); 4. Blaine Willis (Hon); 5. Jim Brooks (Yam).

250 BEG D-2: 1. Eric Williams (Yam); 2. Wes Lee (Kaw); 3. Shad Evans (Kaw); 4. Paul Scoen (Suz); 5. Bobby Infault (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Waylon Hall (Suz); 2. Curtis Tackley (Suz); 3. Tim Stowe (Yam); 4. David Harvey (Kaw); 5. Peter Crowell (Kaw).

PRO-AM: 1. Tallon Vohland (Hon); 2. Scott Davis (Kaw); 3. Andy Gregg (Suz); 4. Jesse Dawson (Suz); 5. Cliff Cook (Suz).

25+ BEG: 1. Dennis Hammond (Yam); 2. John Hatfield (Kaw); 3. Chris Kephart (Hon); 4. Frank Chavez (Hon); 5. David Boivaldi (Hon).

25+ NOV: 1. Curtis Tackley (Suz); 2. Olin Green (Hon); 3. David Highfill (Kaw); 4. Shawn Fisher (Yam); 5. Aaron Lucero (Yam).

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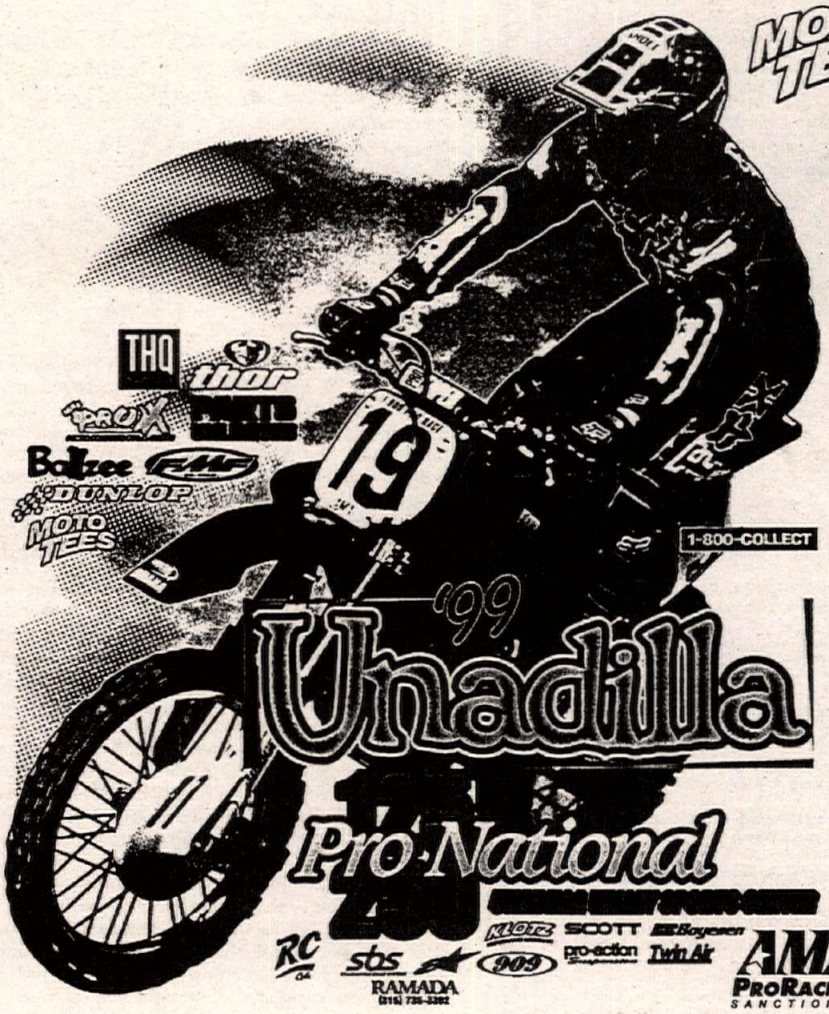

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(Left) KTM's Jason Dahners started last on a borrowed 1997 250, calmly motored to the front of the talented AA pack and never looked back as he ran away with the win at the Rockhopper Hare Scrambles in Monroe, Washington. (Right) Travis Elliot went 1-1 in the 125 and 250cc Expert classes at round one of the Texas Series, held at Mosier Valley USA in Fort Worth, Texas.

25+ INT: 1. John Moore (Hon); 2. Steve Thinger (Hon); 3. Adam Johnston (Hon); 4. Kevin Roach (Yam); 5. Shane Berg (Suz).

VET BEG: 1. Peter Hamel (Hon); 2. Robert Shaeffer (Yam); 3. David Adams (Yam); 4. John Newell (Suz); 5. Jeff Gorman (Hon).

VET NOV: 1. Shawn Fisher (Yam); Bob Mitchell (Hon); 3. Steve Arena (Yam); 4. Guy Lowe (Kaw); 5. Matt Longo (Yam).

VET INT: 1. Jimmy Robertson (Suz); 2. Adam Johnston (Hon); 3. Dan DeNuzzo (Hon); 4. John Moore (Hon).

O/T BEG: 1. Paul Hansen (KTM); 2. Stephen Langley (Yam); 3. Chuck Shipley (Hon); 4. Jim Willis (Hon); 5. Dan Ristrom (Suz).

O/T INT: 1. Art McDade (Hon); 2. Jim Breneisen (Hon).

ADULT PW/JR/Z50: 1. Ben Weisenberg (Hon); 2. Joe Lillard (Hon); 3. Mike Dubrowski (Yam); 4. Steve Arena (Hon); 5. Greg Mitchell (Suz).

Dahners rocks Rockhopper Hare Scrambles

By Tory Briggs

MONROE, WA, APR. 18

With single-digit National off-road star Jason Dahners abandoning his Husaberg deal to return to his Northwestern roots as a regional KTM support rider, the season points race for the NMA Off-Road Series tightened considerably. Borrowing an old 1997 KTM 250, Dahners assumed control of the third race of the 12 in the series on the second lap from the early leader, Lynnwood Yamaha/KTM's Eric Cleveland, who was fighting a sticking throttle. Once in the lead, Dahners never faltered en route to the checkers.

Dahner's win gave him a first and a third for the season, tying him with multi-time NMA champ David Lykke but leaving them both a few points behind three others. Lynnwood Yamaha-backed Lykke struggled with a blown shock at the Rockhopper Hare Scrambles, but after working his way from ninth into third on the third lap around the 6-mile loop, Lykke could not sustain his charge and went into survival mode to protect his podium finish. Just ahead in the points sits Aurora Suzuki's Kevin Bailey, with a first and a second in the series thus far. The points lead belongs to a surprised Brian Bennett. Bennett ran a very strong and largely uncontested second at the Rockhopper, and he has a second and a seventh to boost his total.

The first to hit the rocky, tight, mostly second- and third-gear course were the two-hour racers. Senior Experts Scott Weber and Alan Deyo got locked into an epic battle for the lead. With each pass, the pace was kicked up another notch, but neither could psyche out the other. Weber finally smacked a tree, nearly ripping off a finger and handing Deyo the victory.

Rob Lewis snagged the holeshot as the Expert three-hour race hit the trail. A tight group comprised of Cleveland, Dahners (who started dead last) and Bennett, along with the fast-improving Aaron Wilson, displaced Lewis on the first lap. Gary Furrenes, Sean Wilson and Lykke rounded out the AAs still running, while the start of an epic A Open battle was forming on their rear fender. Kevin Beathards, his teammate John Beal, and a fast-closing Joe Wade were catching the back of the AA wave and banging bars. After hours of back-and-forth racing, Beathards finished sixth overall, and Beal finished 10th, in front of Wade's 11th-place finish.

Out front, Dahners cruised to the finish with a 3 1/2-minute advantage.

Jeff Odom put in an great effort for the day. Riding a gutless, stone-stock KLX300 that hit more rocks than it could clear, Odom raged from a third-row Vet Expert start to seventh overall, in spite of being collected by two different crashes in the first half mile. The top 10 was fleshed out by eighth-placed Lewis and ninth-placed Sean Wilson. Blaine Ostafin nabbed the A Under-class win in 12th overall.

Results

O/A: 1. Jason Dahners (KTM); 2. Brian Bennett (Yam); 3. David Lykke (Yam); 4. Gary Furrenes (G-G); 5. Aaron Wilson (Yam).

AA: 1. Jason Dahners (KTM); 2. Brian Bennett (Yam); 3. David Lykke (Yam); 4. Gary Furrenes (G-G); 5. Aaron Wilson (Yam).

A OPEN: 1. Kevin Beathards (Yam); 2. John Beal (Yam); 3. Joe Wade (Yam); 4. Jim Thomson (KTM); 5. Ken Oakland (Suz).

A UNDER: 1. Blaine Ostafin (Yam); 2. Dean Dorsett (KTM); 3. Doug Turner (Yam); 4. Kelly Beathards (Kaw); 5. Steve Parker (Suz).

4-STRK EX: 1. David Rhodes (Yam); 2. Kelly Hill (Yam); 3. Dan Weihe (Yam); 4. Trent Kleven (Hon); 5. Steve Svedarsky (BBR).

VET EX: 1. Jeff Odom (Kaw); 2. Robert McCollough (Yam); 3. Mike Ritzman (Yam); 4. David Huynh (Yam); 5. Doug Micone (Kaw).

SR EX: 1. Alan Deyo (KTM); 2. Scott Weber (Yam); 3. Scott O'Brien (Kaw); 4. Rob Lewis (Suz); 5. Damon Bee (Suz).

B OPEN: 1. Jon Crist (Suz); 2. Gil Olsen (KTM); 3. Eric Bee (Suz); 4. Rob Russell (KTM); 5. Dan Hagerman (KTM).

B UNDER: 1. Mike Unrein (Suz); 2. Jason Allinson (Hon); 3. Mark Hergert (Yam); 4. Jason Johnson (Yam); 5. Aaron Morgan (Yam).

4-STRK AM: 1. Bill Baldwin (KTM); 2. Ward Rogers (Yam); 3. Frank Maeda (Yam); 4. Wayne Gotts (Yam); 5. Mike Hebert (Hon).

VET AM: 1. Steve Cobb (Kaw); 2. Morrie Edwards (Yam); 3. Scott Hinton (Hon); 4. David Dibb (Hon); 5. Kurt Billow (Kaw).

SR AM: 1. Tim Kidd (KTM); 2. Bob Lawson (Kaw); 3. Todd Wolfe (Hon); 4. Steve Latimer (Hon); 5. Susan Copeland (KTM).

C OPEN: 1. Rod Wickstrom (Hon); 2. Dale Gates (Kaw); 3. Beau Setz (KTM); 4. Darrin Peterson (Suz); 5. Scott McAllister (Hon).

C UNDER: 1. Paul Neff (Kaw); 2. Eric Forsberg (Yam); 3. Shane Olson (Yam); 4. Tim Corp (Suz); 5. Mike Cote (Yam).

SPTSMN: 1. J. Tonsgard (Hon); 2. Brian Watson (Hon); 3. Scott Neff (Yam); 4. Jeff Apthorp (KTM).

WMN: 1. Gloria Russo, 2. Deanne Svedarsky (BBR); 3. Maria Forsberg (Kaw).

Wennerstrom a star at Texas Series Motocross

By Deb Hershman

FORT WORTH, TX, APR. 18

Mosier Valley USA hosted round one of the Texas Series, and although the morning began cool, as soon as the sun popped up over the horizon, the day began heating up to go along with round one's hot racing action.

Scotty Wennerstrom was the top draw in the Mini Mini classes. In the Mini Mini Modified class, Wennerstrom nailed the holeshot and was followed by a three-way battle for second place between Logan Melton, Jared Moore and Cody Stark. Kawasaki-mounted Wennerstrom flew around the track on his way to double wins. As the battle for second heated up behind Wennerstrom, Stark grabbed some extra throttle and passed Moore in the Badlands, focusing next on Melton, who currently was running second. Moore, however, did not let up and returned the pressure, remaining on Stark's back tire going into whoops. By lap three, Wennerstrom had opened up a 10-second lead. Stark crossed the finish line in second, followed by Melton, Moore and Ryan Serrano, respectively.

In moto two, Wennerstrom buzzed to another victory as the battle for second was fought between Moore and Stark, until Stark ran into trouble on the white-flag lap and dropped to fifth place. Moore came out on top, followed by Melton, Stark and Serrano when the overall scores were tallied.

Wennerstrom, Melton, Moore, Serrano and Stark held their rematch in the Mini Mini Stock class, where, once again, Wennerstrom flew around the track in a flash of green. Melton, Serrano, Stark and Moore fought a four-way battle early in moto one. Rounding out the top five positions in the Stock class at the end of both motos were Wennerstrom, Serrano, Melton, Star and Moore.

The Teeny Mini Stock (4-8) class blasted off the line with Cobra-powered Zeb Smith getting the holeshot, followed by the two KTM-mounted brothers, Tyler and Blake Wharton. Smith dominated the race with his good riding style as both Whartons held down second and third place to the finish line. Tyler briefly slid out before the finish line, but he scrambled up quickly to hold second. In moto two, Smith repeated his performance from holeshot to finish line. The top five included Smith, Tyler Wharton, Kaleb Kerr, Blake Wharton and Jacob Escobedo.

Jonathan Kerr blasted to double moto wins in the 80cc Open class. After nailing the holeshot in moto one, Kerr never looked back as he increased his margin of victory. Behind Kerr, Cody Drewek had a narrow hold on second place, while Bryan Zachary, Brandon Fulton and Lance Hollister fought to move forward. The momentum of these four riders quickly increased their lead from the rest of the gate. Drewek continued into lap three holding second, but a slight bobble allowed Zachary, Fulton and Hollister to fly past him. Kerr took the checkers in moto one, followed by Zachary, Fulton, Hollister and Drewek.

In moto two, Kerr once again jumped out to the lead position, but not without moto one's "four-pack" hot on his heels. Fulton held on to the two spot as Hollister and Zachary fought for third, with Zachary getting the edge at the finish line. Drewek rounded out the pack in moto two. When the scores were added up, Kerr had the win via his 1-1 moto tally. Fulton, Zachary, Hollister and Drewek rounded out the top five.

Results

TEENY MINI MOD (4-8): 1. Zeb Smith (Cob); 2. Tyler Wharton (KTM); 3. Blake Wharton (KTM).

TEENY MINI STK (4-8): 1. Zeb Smith (Cob); 2. Tyler Wharton (KTM); 3. Kaleb Kerr (Cob); 4. Blake Wharton (KTM); 5. Jacob Escobedo (KTM).

MINI MINI MOD (6-11): 1. Scotty Wennerstrom (Kaw); 2. Jared Moore (Kaw); 3. Logan Melton (Kaw); 4. Cody Stark (Kaw); 5. Ryan Serrano (KTM).

MINI MINI STK (6-11): 1. Scotty Wennerstrom (Kaw); 2. Ryan Serrano (KTM); 3. Logan Melton (Kaw); 4. Cody Stark (Kaw); 5. Jared Moore (Kaw).

MINI JR (7-11): 1. Lance Hollister (Kaw); 2. Adam Reson (Kaw); 3. Scotty Wennerstrom (Suz); 4. Kyle Petrie (Kaw); 5. Logan Melton (Yam).

MINI SR (12-13): 1. Jonathan Kerr (Kaw); 2. Bryan Zachary (Kaw); 3. Brandon Fulton (Kaw); 4. Brad Wolfe (Kaw); 5. Jake Moore (Kaw).

MINI SR (14-16): 1. Cody Drewek (Yam); 2. Tyler Ellis (Hon).

MINI OPEN: 1. Jonathan Kerr (Kaw); 2. Brandon Fulton (Kaw); 3. Bryan Zachary (Kaw); 4. Lance Hollister (Kaw); 5. Cody Drewek (Yam).

125 BEG: 1. Mike Harvey (Kaw); 2. Amber Drake (Yam); 3. Steven Menkhoff (Yam); 4. Amber Clements (Kaw); 5. William Johnson (Kaw).

125 INT: 1. Chase Reed (Yam); 2. Nathan Hale (Yam); 3. Justin Smith (Kaw); 4. James Marshall (Kaw); 5. Shane Doughty (Kaw).

125 EX: 1. Travis Elliott (Hon); 2. Austin Squires (Suz); 3. Bryan Piccirelli (Hon); 4. Joey Pratt (Yam); 5. Kevin Hornick.

250 BEG: 1. Jarrod Killough (Hon); 2. Kevin Quinn (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Russ Grigsby (Suz); 2. Andy Oppenhein (Kaw); 3. Josh Chandler (Yam); 4. Jason Escobedo (Suz); 5. Shawn Buckmaster (Kaw).

250 INT: 1. Chase Reed (Yam); 2. James Marshall (Kaw); 3. Nathan Hale (Yam); 4. Ryan St. Cyr (Yam); 5. Chris Drummond (Yam).

250 OPEN AM: 1. Chase Reed (Yam); 2. Nathan Hale (Yam); 3. Chris Drummond (Yam); 4. Ryan St. Cyr (Yam); 5. Russ Grigsby (Suz).

250 EX: 1. Travis Elliott (Hon); 2. Austin Squires (Suz); 3. Jason Eckhoff (Hon); 4. James Skinner (Hon); 5. Billy Morrison (Suz).

25+ NOV: 1. Danny Garley (Yam); 2. Jeremy Devers (Yam); 3. Terry Goetz (Yam); 4. Donnie Hollcomb (Kaw); 5. Bruce Classey (Yam).

25+ INT: 1. John Lincoln (Kaw); 2. David Chandler (Suz); 3. Matt Hatcher (Suz).

25+ EX: 1. Austin Squires (Suz); 2. James Skinner (Hon); 3. Kevin Hornick (Yam); 4. Shawn Mardis (Yam); 5. David Lux (Kaw).

30+ NOV: 1. Terry Goetz (Yam); 2. Donnie Holcomb (Kaw); 3. Andrew Moore (Kaw); 4. David Lawler (Hon); 5. Jason Draycott (Kaw).

30+ INT: 1. Jim Campbell (Yam); 2. Randy Nerren (Hon); 3. John Lincoln (Kaw); 4. Ed Hays (Kaw); 5. David Chandler (Suz).

30+ EX: 1. Kevin Hornick (Yam); 2. Mike Klement (KTM).

40+: 1. Randy Nerren (Hon); 2. Ed Hays (Kaw); 3. Mike Buckmaster (Kaw); 4. Bill Cason (Kaw); 5. Rex Easley (Yam).

OPEN 500: 1. Mike Klement.

Holeshot awards big hit at Village Creek

By Deb Hershman

FORT WORTH, TX, APR. 17

Village Creek Motocross offered more than just great racing: Participants who grabbed the holeshot in their opening motos were awarded Pro Circuit hats. And it appeared that no sooner had the young riders claimed their prize than a few dads were eyeballing the sought-after hats with longing. Each week, a new sponsor will donate awards for the holeshot recipients.

In moto one of the 125cc Beginner race, Honda-mounted Patrick Enstrom nailed the holeshot in front of the 19-rider gate and took off to an early lead. Trent Swank and Corey Buesen followed Enstrom. Buesen fought hard to pass the green machine of Swank on lap two. After moving into second, Buesen focused on Enstrom; by lap four Buesen had worked around Enstrom, and he went on to achieve a four-second margin of victory.

In moto two, David Oswald jumped out to the lead with the holeshot, and he led to the checkers. Following on his heels was a dirt-pounding Buesen, who once again had his sights focused on the lead position. Oswald continued to block Buesen until Buesen slid out in a corner on lap three and fell back and out of contention for the lead. Meanwhile, Enstrom, who had been holding a solid third place, moved up to challenge Oswald for the lead. Oswald held on and took the victory. When scores were tallied, Enstrom was awarded with first; he was followed by Oswald, Swank, Jon Johnson and Brad Corder, who rounded out the top five.

In moto one of the 250cc Beginner race, nine riders thundered out of the gate but Brian Tennison was the holeshot-award recipient. A great race developed as Tennison led the moto by a narrow margin over Brad Jackson and Jake Brown. Both Jackson and Brown ran bar to bar until Jackson briefly went down in the sweeper before the final triple. Brown moved up to challenge Tennison on the white-flag lap, while Jackson fought his way back up to third place. Tennison took the victory, followed by Brown and then Jackson.

In moto two, a four-rider race heated up between Tennison, Suzuki-mounted Benny Emmons, Brown and Jackson. Midway through, Tennison, Emmons and Brown were heavily into bar-banging combat, followed by Jackson and Keith Dill of Denton. Tennison rode fast and blocked hard to hold his slight edge over Brown and Emmons to the finish line. In the end, it was Tennison gaining the overall, followed by Brown, Emmons, Jackson and Dill.

The combined 60cc (10-11) and (7-9) gate yielded two holeshot winners. Kawasaki-mounted Cody Ford won the award in the 10- to 11-year-old age group, and KTM-mounted Landon Bector got the holeshot in the 60cc (7-9) class. As moto one got under way, Ford, Brandon Pipkin and Bector went at it for the lead. Ford and Pipkin continued a wheel-to-wheel race through the whoops, with Bector on their back fender. In a burst of speed, Bector took the lead, passing both riders over the double before Goat Mountain. Bector opened up a three-second lead over the rest of the pack and carried the lead to the checkers, winning moto one for the 7- to 9-year-old age group. Pipkin brought home the victory in moto one of the 10- to 11-year-olds' gate. In moto two, Pipkin shot into the lead and held first position overall through

lap three until Bector became the new overall leader. In a repeat performance of moto one, both Bector and Pipkin won the overall in their classes.

Results

50 STK: 1. Blake Hawle (Yam); 2. Justin Parker (Yam); 3. D.J. Catter (Yam); 4. Kyle McAdams (Yam).

50 (4-6): 1. Chris Decker (KTM); 2. Blake Hawle (KTM); 3. Kenny Jones (Suz).

50 (7-8): 1. Preston Primm (Cob); 2. Beau Burgess (Cob); 3. Cole Garcia (Lem); 4. Trevor Morgan (KTM); 5. Trey Stevens (KTM).

50 OPEN: 1. Beau Burgess (Cob); 2. Preston Primm (Cob); 3. Chris Decker (KTM).

60 (7-9): 1. Landon Bector (KTM); 2. Garrett Garcia (Kaw); 3. Justin Willingham (Kaw); 4. Justin Coats (Kaw); 5. Tyler Mansell (Kaw).

60 (10-11): 1. Brandon Pipkin (Kaw); 2. Cody Ford (Kaw); 3. Kara Portman (KTM); 4. Jerrod Morgan (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Greg Anderson (Yam); 2. Justin Little (Yam); 3. Russell Altman (Yam); 4. Cooper Brown (Kaw); 5. Liam Terry (Suz).

80 (7-11): 1. Austin Miller (Kaw); 2. Kyle Petrie (Kaw).

80 (12-16): 1. James Pino (Suz); 2. Bradley Young (Suz); 3. Chris Toney (Kaw).

80 OPEN: 1. James Pino (Suz); 2. Austin Miller (Kaw); 3. Bradley Young (Suz); 4. Kyle Petrie (Kaw).

125 BEG: 1. Patrick Enstrom (Hon); 2. David Oswald (Kaw); 3. Trent Swank (Kaw); 4. Jon Johnson (Suz); 5. Brad Corder (Kaw).

125 NOV: 1. Chad Davis (Kaw); 2. John Isley (Yam); 3. Randy Kidd (Kaw); 4. Jordan Miller (Suz); 5. Jared Simmons (Yam).

125 OPEN AM: 1. Chad Davis (Kaw); 2. Matt Jordan (Yam).

250 BEG: 1. Bryan Tennison (Kaw); 2. Jake Brown (Kaw); 3. Benny Emmons (Suz); 4. Brad Jackson (Kaw); 5. Keith Dill (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Randy Hayes (Kaw); 2. Josh Chandler (Yam); 3. Cody Highsmith (Kaw); 4. Cody Tubbs (Yam); 5. Tony Dixson (Suz).

250 OPEN: 1. Bobby Hogan (Hon); 2. Brian Goates (Kaw).

COMB INT: 1. Bobby Hogan (Hon).

COMB PRO: 1. Joey Pratt (Yam); 2. Chris Torrance (Kaw).

25+: 1. Rickey Hayes (Kaw); 2. Kevin Mills (Yam); 3. Louis Pacanins (Hon); 4. Kelly Epperson (Hon); 5. Curtis Greer (Hon).

30+ NOV: 1. Mac Bennett (Suz); 2. Andrew Moore (Kaw); 3. Warren Adams (Kaw); 4. Jeff Coats (Kaw); 5. Louis Pacanins (Hon).

30+ INT: 1. Ted Davidson (Hon); 2. John Portman (KTM).

40+: 1. Ted Davidson (Yam); 2. Sipper Roberts (Yam); 3. Ralph Robinson (Yam); 4. David Vaughan (Hon).

Berhorst best at Hollister MX

By Brandon Gilles

HOLLISTER, CA, APR. 25

The overall winner in the 125cc Beginner class, Rick Berhorst, blew away the rest of the field at the California Motocross Association's Rider Appreciation Day. The free event at Hollister Hills SVRA drew a crowd of hundreds, with most of the excitement coming from the 125cc divisions.

While Berhorst was busy expanding his lead in the first moto, the real race was for third place. For the entire first lap, Jeremy Weatherly was able to maintain his second-place position. Although it looked as if he had secured the position, Gary Wedmon had a different idea. By the second lap, Wedmon had passed Weatherly and was looking to pass Nathan Mah. Wedmon did not achieve his goal, and now he had a new threat, in the form of Zac Baxter. Throughout the race, Baxter was within passing range of Wedmon. However, Baxter did not pass Wedmon and settled for fourth in the first moto. Weatherly finished second and Wedmon third, followed by Baxter, and Ruben Valles rounded off the top five.

Things changed in the second moto. Berhorst finished first to take the overall win. Mah, who had held second throughout the first two laps, dropped back. Wedmon took over for Mah and maintained the position throughout the race to the finish, giving him second for the day. Also benefiting from Mah's second-lap mishap was Baxter, who placed third in the moto and fourth for the day. Mah finished in fourth and third overall. Ruben Valles, who placed seventh, took fifth.

Results

50 (0-6) BEG: 1. Greg Lewis (KTM); 2. Ryan Murphy; 3. Jerry Blake; 4. Hunter Alfonso (KTM); 5. Nickolas Seound (KTM).

50 (7-8) NOV: 1. Shaun Murphy.

60 (0-8) BEG: 1. Stephen Tarpley (KTM); 2. Nicolas Baker (KTM); 3. Joshua Duppong (KTM); 4. Trevor Halloway (KTM).

60 (0-8) NOV: 1. Dustin Pipes (Kaw).

60 (9-11) BEG: 1. Bryce Huffman (Kaw); 2. Joey Harris (Kaw); 3. Andrew Desilagua (KTM); 4. Michael Hales (Kaw); 5. Morgan Styles (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Nick Theil (Kaw); 2. Danny Harris (Kaw); 3. Dustin Pipes (Suz); 4. Aaron Hales (Yam); 5. Andrew Desilagua (Hon).

80 NOV: 1. Robby Baptista (Hon); 2. Zac Baxter (Yam); 3. Vincent Guisande (Yam).

80 B/W: 1. DeWayne Anderson (Kaw); 2. Jacob Sanchez (Hon).

125 BEG: 1. Rick Berhorst (Hon); 2. Gary Wedmon (Yam); 3. Nathan Mah (Hon); 4. Zac Baxter (Yam); 5. Ruben Valles (Yam).

125 NOV: 1. Mark Verhougstraete (Suz); 2. Scooter McCormack (Suz); 3. Willie Lorscheider (Yam); 4. Gary Ludlum (Hon); 5. Dustin Frizell.

125 INT: 1. Chris Baccelli (Kaw); 2. Ken Nolan (Suz).

250 BEG: 1. Mike Seadler (Kaw); 2. Anthony Lorscheider (Hon); 3. Nathan Mah (Hon); 4. Stephen Hajdo (Yam); 5. Chris Verhougstraete (Suz).

250 INT: 1. Chris Platero (Suz); 2. Brian Toline (Suz); 3. Shawn Reed (Kaw); 4. Mark Steinwand (Yam); 5. Russ Fleming (KTM).

250 NOV: 1. Ben Nava (Kaw); 2. Josh Coffman (Suz); 3. Steve Jenkins (Hon); 4. Matt Soares (Kaw); 5. Tony Victorino.

4-STRK: 1. Frank Cornwall (Yam); 2. Troy Burchby (Yam); 3. Steve Matlock (Yam); 4. Brent Uhlar (Yam).

25-29 BEG: 1. James Smith (Hon); 2. Ken Sandahl (Yam); 3. Robert Davis (Yam); 4. Art Youkhaneh (Hon); 5. Allyn Fitzpatrick (Kaw).

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(Left) In Charlotte, North Carolina, Scott Jones (37) won the 250cc C class at Metrolina's warmup race and looked set to do the same in the 125cc C class, but Herb Taylor (62) had other ideas and yanked away the win.
(Above) Tommy Hofmaster (435), Chad Johnson (35) and Nate Eslinger (879) round the first turn during 250cc A action at Motosport Park in Byron, Illinois.

25-29 NOV: 1. Bobby Pimentel (Hon); 2. Steve Kennedy (Hon).

25-29 INT: 1. Chris Baccelli (Kaw); 2. Shawn Reed (Kaw); 3. Ken Nolan (Suz).

VET BEG: 1. Tom Murphy (Yam); 2. Vince Guisande (Hon); 3. Robert Davis (Yam); 4. Jerry Madruga (Kaw); 5. David Alfonso (Kaw).

VET NOV: 1. Jeff Baxter (Yam); 2. Rob Dresser (Yam); 3. Toby Cobb (Yam); 4. William Huffman (Yam); 5. Bobby Tabag (Kaw).

VET INT: 1. Hank Armendariz (Suz); 2. Troy Burchby (Yam); 3. Mark Steinwand (Yam); 4. Frank Cornwall (Yam); 5. David Henderson (Suz).

O/T NOV: 1. Rob Dresser (Yam); 2. Mitch Weatherly (Hon).

O/T INT: 1. Jeff Baxter.

Jones on at Metrolina

By Barbara Williams
Photos by Loren Williams

CHARLOTTE, NC, MAY 1

Honda-mounted Scott Jones was "on" and he took the win in the 250cc C class after a ferocious battle with Jesse Baker and David Graddy in the second of two warmup races for the 1999 Roller-coaster Racing Tour.

Nearly 230 riders enjoyed the technical, fun track at the comeback race for the Metrolina Fairgrounds facility. In spite of drenching rains all over the region, the track was very ridable and - unbelievably - even a little dusty toward the end of the program.

When the gate fell backward to begin the 250cc C heat race, Scott Jones was not the first to reach turn one. The lead belonged to Jesse Baker, who was followed by Jason Koenig. Jones was third at the start, and he used the four-lap qualifier to get used to his CR250, preferring to settle for a safe third rather than risk a possible crash.

Jones was prepared for the start of the 250cc C main event, and he blasted to the first turn, with David Graddy and Chris Coogler on his fender. Baker got a terrible start, and Koenig's was even worse, and they immediately set to work on passing the riders between themselves and Jones.

By the halfway point of the seven-lap main, both Baker and Koenig caught second-placed Graddy. The Yamaha rider held off Baker for what seemed like an hour, but three laps later Graddy allowed Baker to slip past. For the last two laps, Baker was all over Jones, even grabbing the lead once, but it didn't stick. Graddy and Koenig were also close at hand, waiting for a possible double crash, but Jones was steady and didn't make any mistakes, blasting past the checkered flag in front.

William Wilson won both of the increasingly popular Exhibition classes after some exciting battles with holeshot artist Casey Barnes, Michael Duke and local talent Matthew Davis. Combined A- and B-class riders in 125cc and 250cc Exhibition contests are scored as one class, enabling the B riders to hone their skills, and providing a possible wake-up call for the A riders.

"I like it," commented Wilson. "The Exhibition classes give us more competition and keeps all of us sharper."

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Cody Robbins (Cob); 2. Seth Quisenberry (KTM); 3. Chelsea McSwain (Yam); 4. Jack McMenamie (Cob); 5. Trevor Barrett (Cob).

50 (7-8): 1. Joshua Harris (Lem); 2. Matthew Stover (KTM); 3. Brandon White (KTM); 4. Brandon Newman (KTM); 5. Lucas Long (KTM).

50 SHFT: 1. Cody Robbins (Yam); 2. Chelsea McSwain (Yam); 3. Trevor Barrett (Yam); 4. Jacob Whitlock (Suz); 5. Tyler McSwain (Yam).

65 (7-9): 1. Joshua Harris (Lem); 2. Cody Robbins (Cob); 3. Brandon Rest (Kaw); 4. Alex Nelson (Kaw); 5. Josh Trivette (Kaw).

65 (10-11): 1. Tim Hoyle (Kaw); 2. Andrew Norman (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Joshua McLaughlin (Hon); 2. Lori Zimmerman (Suz); 3. Jeremy Allison (Suz); 4. J.J. Jackson (Yam); 5. Drew Sheffield (Kaw).

85 (12-13): 1. T.J. Knight (Yam); 2. Jordan Harrill (Kaw); 3. Jeremy Nelson (Suz); 4. Chevis King (Suz); 5. Curtis Cook (Hon).

85 (14-15): 1. Jeffrey Arnold (Hon); 2. Drew Sheffield (Kaw); 3. Alan Norman (Kaw).

JR MINI: 1. Chris Osborne (Suz); 2. Tim Hoyle (Kaw); 3. Jesse Carney (Kaw); 4. Craig Robinson (Suz); 5. Andrew Norman (Kaw).

S/MINI: 1. Jordan Harrill (Kaw); 2. Austin Thompson (Kaw); 3. Jeremy Nelson (Suz); 4. Chevis King (Suz); 5. Jeffrey Arnold (Hon).

125 EXHIB: 1. William Wilson (Yam); 2. Casey Barnes (Suz); 3. Michael Duke (KTM); 4. Scotty Hill (Yam); 5. Matthew Davis (Kaw).

125 C: 1. Herb Taylor (Kaw); 2. T.J. Fairbanks (Suz); 3. Freddy Rowe III (Yam); 4. Derek Cook (Hon); 5. Scott Jones (Hon).

125 D D-1: 1. Alex Holden (Suz); 2. Brian Hankinson (Hon); 3. Steven Helms (Yam); 4. Matt Yow (Hon); 5. Ryan Turner (Hon).

125 D D-2: 1. Charles Center (Yam); 2. Billy Harbin (Suz); 3. Shannon Hunt (Kaw); 4. Josh Davis (Kaw); 5. Michael Almond (Kaw).

250 EXHIB: 1. William Wilson (Yam); 2. Casey Barnes (Suz); 3. John Fann (Kaw); 4. Scotty Hill (Yam).

250 C: 1. Scott Jones (Hon); 2. Jesse Baker (Suz); 3. David Graddy (Yam); 4. Jason Koenig (KTM); 5. Chris Coogler (Hon).

250 D: 1. Alex Holden (Suz); 2. Steven Helms (Suz); 3. Woody Robinson (Hon); 4. Tommy Knight (Yam); 5. Steve Irvine (Yam).

25+ A/B: 1. John Fann (Kaw); 2. Frank Koenig (KTM); 3. David Shugart (Yam).

25+ C: 1. Danny O'Reilly (Kaw); 2. Bryan Adams (Suz); 3. Andy Williams (Kaw); 4. Edward Coleman (KTM); 5. Michael Purvis (Hon).

30+: 1. Mark Whitley (Yam); 2. Scott Tyson (Yam); 3. David Shugart (Yam); 4. Andy Williams (Kaw); 5. Dewitt Jenkins (Yam).

35+: 1. Mike McMenamie (Yam); 2. Dewitt Jenkins (Yam); 3. Freddy Patterson (Kaw); 4. Glen Lott (Kaw); 5. Roy J. Clarkson (Kaw).

U/L AM: 1. Scotty Hill (Yam); 2. Matthew Davis (Kaw).

UL C/D D-1: 1. Herb Taylor (Kaw); 2. Alex Harrill (Kaw); 3. Ralph Carr (Kaw); 4. Justin Zissel (Suz); 5. Nathan King (Suz).

UL C/D D-2: 1. Kevin Helms (Hon); 2. Freddy Rowe III (Yam); 3. T.J. Fairbanks (Suz); 4. David Graddy (Yam); 5. Josh Johnston (Kaw).

Jackson, Hofmaster lords of Byron

By Merle Acord

BYRON, IL, APR. 25

Of the more than 400 riders signed up for round one of the 10-race Nuclear Series at Motosport Park, Junior Jackson, a 27-year-old veteran, was the big winner, taking the overall in the Over 25 and 250cc A classes and placing third in the 125cc A class.

Nate Eslinger took the holeshot in moto one of the 250cc A class, only to be passed by Jackson early in the first lap. Jackson extended his lead yard by yard with each lap, while Tom Hofmaster moved into fourth, behind Gregory Rand. With a leaking crank seal, Hofmaster moved into third, with Chad Johnson challenging him at every corner. Eventually Rand faded and Hofmaster made a slight bobble in a deep rut. That was all Johnson needed, and he went hard to the inside and pulled Hofmaster coming out of the corner for a clean pass and second place. Rand hung on for fourth. Eslinger, with a flat tire, continued to give positions away, finishing sixth. Brad Jerominski finished fifth.

With one of the biggest leads of the day in any A class, Johnson motored into the white-flag lap with a sure moto win, only to have his Team Green Kawasaki quit midway through the lap, giving the lead to Jackson in the second moto. Jackson kept Hofmaster and Rand behind him for his second overall of the day. Hofmaster went 2-2 to finish second overall, while Rand and Eslinger finished third and fourth.

In 125cc A action, Jackson grabbed the holeshot, only to case the triples out back, pulling the boot off his carburetor. Second-placed Chad Johnson motored by for the win, with Hofmaster and Rand in tow. Jackson slipped the boot back in place and carded a fourth.

Jackson came back in the second moto with a race win that was good for third overall. Hofmaster, after a down-to-the-wire dice with Johnson, put up his second deuce for second overall. Johnson settled for third.

Jackson was the winner of the Over 25 class.

"I went hard into the first corner and went a little wide, but I was able to work through for the holeshot," Jackson explained. "I pulled a good lead right away and then was able to pick some good lines that let me save some energy for the rest of the day."

Jackson aced both motos for the class win.

Results

JR 50 1. Damon Sexton (KTM); 2. Durk Roper (KTM); 3. Steven Page (KTM); 4. Jon Williams (KTM); 5. Brill Branden (KTM).

SR 50: 1. Joseph Tarver; 2. Ben Bradford; 3. Eric Gustafson (KTM); 4. Tyler Baylis; 5. Derrick Jackson.

JR 80: 1. Mike Mitchell (Yam); 2. Jake Fricker (Kaw); 3. Derek Whitney (Suz); 4. Andrew Tyrrell (Suz); 5. Matt Stokes (Suz).

SR 80: 1. Brad Modjewski (Suz); 2. Eric Ratliff (Suz); 3. Matt Hopkins (Yam); 4. Bradley Ripple (Suz); 5. Kody Molitor (Yam).

JR MEN: 1. Chad Johnson (Kaw); 2. Randy Lamkin (Suz); 3. Brandon Salger (Kaw); 4. Jeremy Benson (Yam); 5. Jason Schiller (Yam).

JR 125: 1. Justin Brayton (Kaw); 2. Brad Modjewski (Suz); 3. Anthony Weber (Suz); 4. Ross Martin (Suz); 5. Randy Poulter (Yam).

125 A: 1. Thomas Hofmaster (Suz); 2. Chad Johnson (Kaw); 3. Junior Jackson (Kaw); 4. Gregory Rand (Kaw); 5. Brandon Jeffrey (Kaw).

125 B: 1. Justin Brayton (Kaw); 2. Andrew Thyberg (Suz); 3. Ross Martin (Suz); 4. Nicholas Nenow (Kaw); 5. Jason Kloptowski (Kaw).

125 C: 1. Jeremy Smith (Yam); 2. Mike Baile (Yam); 3. Casey Solace (Suz); 4. Jeff Middleton (Suz); 5 Chris Kooistra (Kaw).

250 A: 1. Junior Jackson (Kaw); 2. Thomas Hofmaster (Suz); 3. Gregory Rand (Kaw); 4. Nate Eslinger (Yam); 5. Brad Jerominski (Kaw).

250 B: 1. Steve Howell (Kaw); 2. Bob Gardner (Suz); 3. Nathan Leonard (Suz); 4. Matt Walraven (Suz); 5. Eddie Williams (Kaw).

250 C: 1. Heath Drone (Hon); 2. Arradiu Kruk (Kaw); 3. Brad Culumber (Hon); 4. Brian Goodyear (Yam); 5. Keith Davis (Hon).

25+ A: 1. Junior Jackson (Kaw); 2. Andy Stacy (Yam); 3. Jeff Hill (Kaw); 4. Roy Nafzger (Kaw); 5. Casey Kloepping (Hon)

30+ A: 1. Roy Nafzger (Kaw); 2. Rusty Ott (Yam); 3. Ryan Rowder (Yam); 4. Gregg Henkel (Suz); 5. Rick Grebner (KTM).

30+ B: 1. Mike Hinds (Hon); 2. Pete Ninett (Hon); 3. Mike Ferger (Hon); 4. Pete Reitsch (Hon); 5. Michael Baker (Yam).

35+ A: 1. Andy Stacy (Yam); 2. Roy Nafzger (Kaw); 3. Rusty Ott (Yam); 4. Dave Brill (Kaw); 5. Gregg Henkel (Suz).

40+ A: 1. Ron Downen (Kaw); 2. Richard Poplowski (Yam); 3. Jeff Patel (Hon); 4. Daniel Dworzynski (Kaw); 5. William Phee (Yam).

50+: 1. Don Hachmeister (Kaw).

WMN: 1. Elena Licavoli.

OPEN: 1. William Phee (Yam); 2. Jason Dollas (Yam); 3. Tyler Anderson (Kaw); 4. Paul Berkley (Hon); 5. Robert Schenck (Yam).

VINT: 1. Pete Ninett (Kaw); 2. Brad Goins (Hon); 3. Brady Hamish (Yam); 4. Neil Williamson (Hon).

Crown royal at Baja Spring Fling

By B.J. Smith

MILLINGTON, MI, APR. 25

With age comes experience, and Matt Crown is living proof of this. At the Baja Acres Spring Fling race, Matt Crown, 32, showed the field of 250cc A teenagers the fast line around the rough and sandy course. After smoking the competition in the Over 25 and Over 30 classes, Crown signed up to race against the young guns in the prestigious 250cc A class. The win did not come easily, though, because the hard-charging Jeff Curry wanted his share of the prize as well.

The first 250cc A moto saw Jason Vienot, on his YZ, grab the holeshot, with Crown and Jason McDonald close behind. The stronger Crown easily moved by Vienot and began pulling away on the first lap. Extending his lead, Crown made the race appear boring, but then Curry emerged in second place on lap two after suffering a bad start. Crown's lead quickly began to shorten as Curry carefully shaved off the seconds between them. After a lap of running in second place, Curry must have grown tired of the spot, because he stampeded past Crown through the back whoop section. The former minicycle champion looked ready to pull away, but Crown stayed within striking distance and made his move in the back 40, only to have it taken back by Curry, who rode the last few corners to victory.

The second 250cc A moto saw the Suzuki of Jason McDonald in the lead, followed by the Kawasaki of first-moto winner Crown. Crown wasted no time pulling ahead of the younger McDonald. He had to be quick, though, as the moto was only scheduled to run for three short laps. After another poor start, Curry was frantically working his way through the pack, while Crown enjoyed a comfortable lead. Once again, though, Curry gained second place and set his sights on Crown. By lap three they were neck and neck, and it was obvious that neither was going to give up. On the third and final lap, Curry made his attempt in the rocker section, but Crown adjusted his speed in the section for that moto and kept his lead to win the race.

Results

51 JR: 1. J. Schumas; 2. K. Straube; 3. J. Porcelli III; 4. D. Knezevich; 5. B. Bemholtzm.

51 SR: 1. D. Izz; 2. B. Papst; 3. M. Adrian; 4. J. Roberts; 5. M. Ross.

51 S/SR: 1. J. Roberts; 2. A. Ford; 3. S. Roberts; 4. E. Montreufl; 5. N. Ash.

60: 1. M Sutherland; 2. E. Miller; 3. G. Moreland; 4. T. Templeton; 5. J. Jackson.

80: 1. R. Donaldson; 2. B. Miller; 3. A. Tanner; 4. K. Neasel; 5. E. Saya.

80 (7-11): 1. J. Lichtle; 2. E. Miller; 3. G. Moreland; 4. C. Slavik; 5. A. Butzin.

80 (12-15): 1. N. Adams; 2. J. Apple; 3. B. Smith; 4. J. Marsack; 5. R. Bowers.

125 JR: 1. D. Rose; 2. B. Lichtle; 3. C. Paulsell; 4. B. Schulteman; 5. N. Woodward.

(16-24): 1. J. Brusseau; 2. F. Jungnitsch; 3. S. McDonald; 4. K. Kohler; 5. M. DeCubber.

25+: 1. M. Crown; 2. B. Swink; 3. D. Gaylord; 4. D. O'Boyle; 5. D. Ginett.

30+: 1. M. Crown; 2. C. Pickett; 3. J. Marsack; 4. E. Hieftjie IV; 5. M. Cheza.

35+: 1. K. Bigelow; 2. J. Marsack; 3. C. Pickett; 4. D. Hack; 5. J. Himassek.

40+: 1. E. Bowman; 2. J. Bost; 3. B. Evans; 4. G. Saya; 5. R. Hayes.

50+: 1. F. Helms; 2. J. Korte; 3. D. Curry; 4. R. Chapman; 5. C. Winotwadsky.

NON-CUR: 1. B. Boyle; 2. J. Sessink; 3. N. Cooper; 4. J. Price Jr.; 5. T. Barth.

VINT: 1. T. Holscher; 2. J. Sangater; 3. M. Nelson; 4. M. Van Camp.

WMN: 1. S. Whitmore; 2. A. Schroyer; 3. J. Foster; 4. L. Miner.

125 C: 1. N. Larson; 2. R. Powell; 3. S. Jeffers; 4. K. Gillett; 5. R. Sellan.

125 B: 1. J. Woods; 2. D. Rose; 3. B. Becker; 4. D. Beckett; 5. K. Kohler.

125 A: 1. J. Vienot; 2. R. Valade; 3. D. Oettel; 4. J. McDonald; 5. R. Watson.

250 B: 1. J. Woods; 2. B. Becker; 3. J. Beckett; 4. J. Plawecki; 5. J. Brusseau.

250 A: 1. M. Crown; 2. J. Curry; 3. R. Valade; 4. R. Watson; 5. D. Oettel.

McMurren, Frauenberger teach at Temecula ST

By Fred Windum

TEMECULA, CA, APR. 18

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Don Frauenberger, the top points scorer in 1998, opened the season with a win in the Vintage 250cc race, while club president Jim McMurren took the top spot in the brakeless Classic Vintage race. A record number of entrants were treated to a smooth, consistent race track under a clear blue sky.

Don Frauenberger launched his Yamaha to the front of the Vintage 250cc race, tailed by Joe Steffen and Manny Crummett, who got a drive out of turn two to take over the second spot, with his sights on the leader. Frauenberger favored the high line around the oval, while Crummett ran on the pole, gaining on the leader. Steffen and Chuck Claydon closed on the lead pair as Crummett's low line paid off, and he put his Bultaco in the lead. Steffen closed in on Frauenberger, even pulling into second for a bit as Frauenberger chased lines around the track until he found the fast one, taking second on the back straight. Claydon slowed, dropping back behind the battle for fourth place between Bruce Reynolds and Dave Johnson.

Frauenberger closed the gap to Crummett, going around for the lead in turn three and pulling away. Crummett continued to run fast, leaving Steffen in third, ahead of Reynolds and Johnson, who were swapping the last undecided position. Frauenberger took the checkers with a half-straightaway lead over Crummett, with an equal gap back to Steffen, as Johnson took the low line coming out of four with the throttle pinned to edge Reynolds for fourth.

Defending champ Clark Edgington let the clutch out a little too early in the Classic Vintage race, but with no brakes to check his roll, he was sent to the back of the pack for the start. Jim McMurren, on his little 250cc Aermacchi Sprint, led Vince Graves, Gordon Menzie, David Brown and Eddie Castro into turn one. Castro, on a hand-shift/foot-clutch Indian Scout, skidded around the outside of Menzie and Brown with a fast high line through turns one and two. Graves was close behind leader McMurren, peeking inside in turns three and four with a try for the lead, but without success. Brown and Menzie waged their own battle over the fourth spot, with Brown having the advantage midway through the race. Castro worked the high line in one and two, gaining on the lead pair, but the same route through three and four was loose and slippery, slowing the speedway star. Graves' Bultaco slowed, leaving Castro to chase McMurren. The little Sprint of McMurren held off Castro's Indian at the finish; Graves followed in third, and Menzie and Brown were still side by side with the checkered flag in sight. Menzie's Royal Enfield outpowered Brown's BSA for the fourth spot.

Eddie Mulder trounced the Senior class on the old number-12 Triumph, warming up for Gene Romero's race, which would be held the next weekend. Dennis Voll, Jay Dee and Bill Silverthorn raced for second, with Silverthorn nipping Dee on the last lap for second. Voll was in fourth, ahead of Jack Neeley. James Steet led the Bombers, always a big class, over Rex Hailey, Bill Formby and Jim Gardner.

By the end of the day, tires were squealing into the corners, and black stripes were laid down coming out of them. Jeff Johnson left his share of rubber on the track with a convincing win in the Vintage 750cc class. Maurice Ortega and Steve Miller were rubbing on each other in a fight for second, with Bob Cobb right on their back wheels, waiting for a mistake.

Johnson crossed the stripe with a straightaway lead, while Ortega, Miller and Cobb followed with less than half a second between them.

Results

VINT 250: 1. Don Frauenberger (Yam); 2. Manny Crummett (Bul); 3. Joe Steffen (Yam); 4. Dave Johnson (Yam); 5. Bruce Reynolds (Bul).

AM 250: 1. James Wood (Hon); 2. Ron Wood (Hon); 3. Chad Morse (Hon); 4. Vince Graves (Yam); 5. Tyson Voll (Yam).

NOV 250: 1: Roger Winiger (Yam); 2. Larry Price (Bul); 3. Matt Fisher (Hon); 4. Jeff Steffen (Yam).

BMBR: 1. James Steet (Yam); 2. Rex Hailey (Yam); 3. Bill Formby (Yam); 4. Jim Gardner (Yam); 5. Paul Tomlinson (Suz).

CLSC VINT (NO BRAKES): 1. Jim McMurren (H-D); 2. Eddie Castro (Ind); 3. Vince Graves (Bul); 4. Gordon Menzie (R-E); 5. David Brown (BSA).

SR 50+: 1. Eddie Mulder (Tri); 2. Bill Silverthorn (Yam); 3. Jay Dee; 4. Dennis Voll (W-R); 5. Jack Neeley (Kaw).

S/SR 60+: 1. Ron Gould (BSA); 2. Marshall Jennings (Yam); 3. Sam Grey (Hon); 4. Dave Douglas (Rtx); 5. Ron Knowles (W-R).

VET 35+: 1. Steve Miller (Yam); 2. Richard Pollock (Yam); 3. Don Frauenberger (Yam); 4. Shane Scott (Rtx); 5. James Steet (Yam).

AM 400: 1. Steve Furman (Yam); 2. Bruce Reynolds (Bul); 3. Manny Crummett (Bul); 4. Paul Tomlinson (Suz); 5. Take Mitsunori (Yam).

NOV OPEN: 1. Brandon Kent (W-R); 2. Richard Fox II (Yam); 3. Roger Winiger (Yam); 4. Charles Claydon (Yam); 5. Brian McLean (Yam).

AM OPEN: 1. Bill Silverthorn (Yam); 2. Ron Wood (Hon); 3. Jim Gardner (Yam); 4. Chad Morse (Hon); 5. David Brown (BSA).

VINT 750: 1. Jeff Johnson (Tri); 2. Maurice Ortega (Tri); 3. Steve Miller (Yam); 4. Bob Cobb (Yam); 5. Chuck Claydon (Yam).

PRO OPEN: 1. Richard Pollock (Yam); 2. Shane Scott (Rtx); 3. James Steet (Yam); 4. Akira Kazuoka (W-R); 5. Ryan Fisher (W-R).

SPDWY: 1. Bill McCarley (Wes); 2. Jim Estes (Jaw); 3. Craig Furman (Jaw); 4. Greg Starcevic (Wes); 5. Steve Furman (GM).

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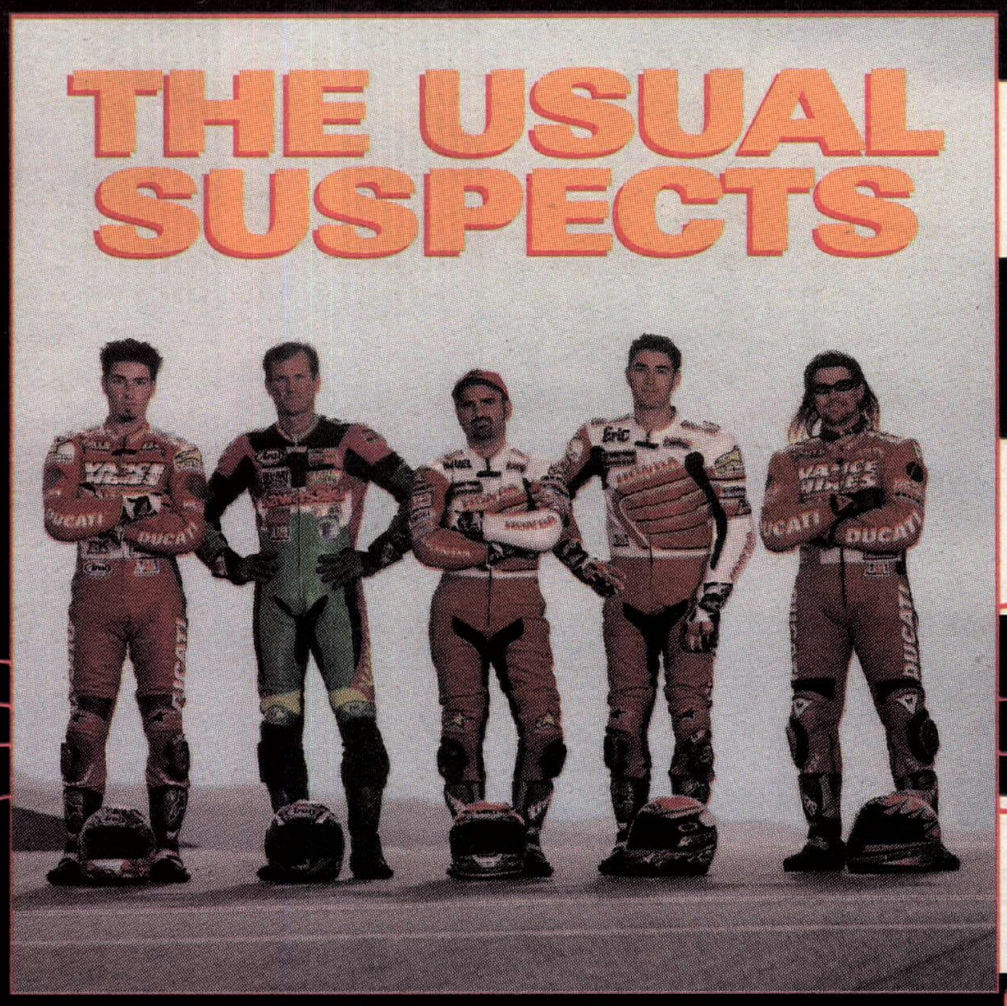

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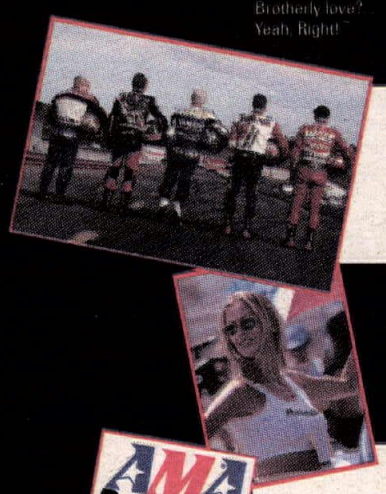

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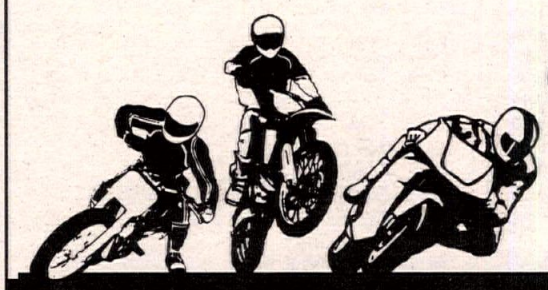

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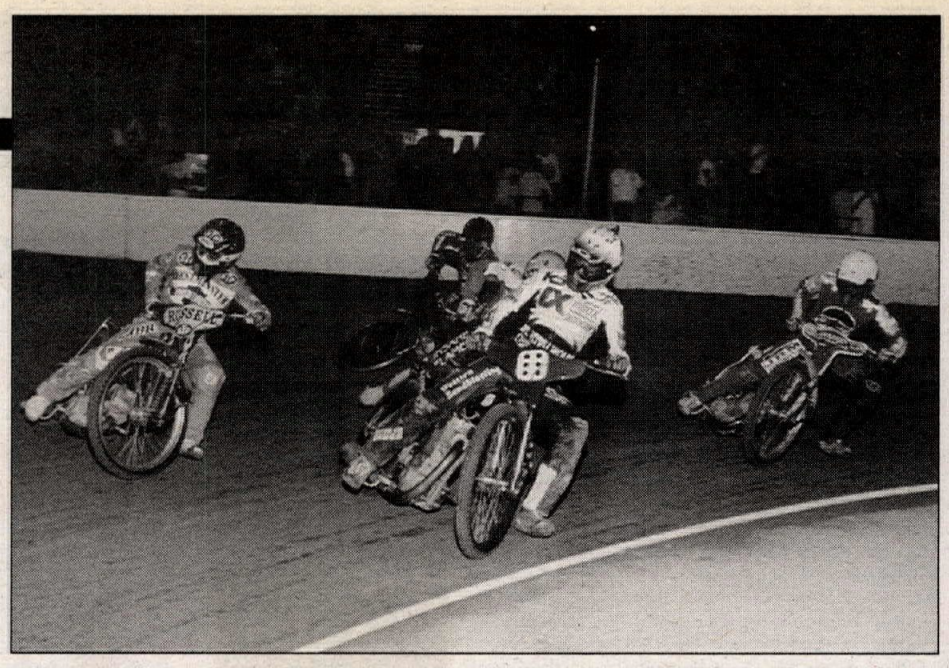

(Above) Shawn McConnell (foreground, center) won the Scratch main event during Kids Night at Costa Mesa Speedway in California.
(Left) Wes Hale sails toward the overall win in 125cc A action at the AMA District 25 State Championship Series opener at Sweney Cycle Park in Brush, Colorado.

Hale bombards Sweney Cycle Park Motocross

By Gregory K. Corns
Photo by Dawn Winczewski

BRUSH, CO, APR. 18

The inaugural 1999 AMA/District 25 State Championship Series, hosted by the Rocky Mountain Motocross Association and featuring double points for all classes and 200-percent Pro payout, made its first stop of the season at Sweney Cycle Park, where Fay Meyers/Cortez Trucking/Pro Action/Bridgestone-sponsored Wes Hale hooked up for a 1-1 performance in the 125cc A class.

Hale ran flag to flag for the win in the first 125cc A-class moto, but not without a fight from Trent Hansen and Chad Zulian. As Hale grabbed the holeshot, Hansen placed his Honda in second, with Zulian and Matt Karlsen following. Hale and Zulian went bar to bar through the eight-jump rhythm section, with Hale gaining the advantage. Karlsen slipped a couple of positions back aboard his YZ125. With Zulian hounding Hale, Hansen had his hands full fending off a hard-charging Kevin Hall.

By the third lap, Hale was able to pull out a three-second lead while Hall got past Hansen and started to reel in Zulian. Karlsen, who had fallen back to sixth, jumped up to fifth with a pass over Adam Nazarenus over the finish-line jump. Hall used the power of his F&S Suzuki to blaze through the rhythm section and get within pouncing distance of Zulian. Hall made his attack for the position stick two laps from the finish with a classic block-pass over Zulian as he squared the corner and launched over the spectator tabletop jump in second place. Zulian then had to contend with Hansen, and the two banged bars on the white-flag lap. Hansen was finally denied the position as he was block-passed by Zulian four corners from the finish and had to let off. Hale enjoyed a clean five-second buffer at the checkers as Hall, Zulian, Hansen and Karlsen followed.

As Hall sat out moto two with an injured foot, Hansen rocketed from the gate and railed out of turn one, with Hale alongside. Hansen's lead was short-lived, however, as Hale assumed the position. Hale held down a two-second lead as Hansen, Zulian, Karlsen, Nazarenus, Yamaha-mounted Eric Johnson and Dave Ford filed into order. Hansen and Zulian were running close when tragedy struck for Hansen: He flew across the high-speed start-chute area and entered a slick off-camber left-hander and his CR125 lost traction, sending him to the ground in a hard-cartwheeling get-off. Fortunately, Hansen got up uninjured, but he decided to call it a day. With too much of a deficit to make up, Zulian settled into second as Hale continued to pull away. Hale eventually pulled out a 10-second lead at the finish. A race for third developed between Nazarenus and Karlsen, with the two rounding the circuit wheel to wheel. Karlsen held on for the final podium spot, but only two seconds ahead of Nazarenus. Hale earned the overall, with Zulian, Karlsen, Nazarenus and Johnson rounding out the top five.

Results

50 D-1: 1. Anthony Griego (Cob); 2. Jake Jacobs (KTM); 3. Corey Wilcox (KTM); 4, T.J. Kossen (Hus); 5. Travis McGray (Act).

50 D-2: 1. Colter Dimick (Pol); 2. Garrett Tyrrell (Was); 3. Nathan DeAndrea (KTM); 4. Ryley Murphy (Cob) 5. Terri Chase (KTM).

50 D-4: 1. Colter Dimick (Pol); 2. Nathan DeAndrea (KTM); 3. Garrett Tyrrell (Was); 4. Ryley Murphy (Cob), 5. Sydney Wright (Cob).

60 (7-9): 1. Blaine Hiser (Kaw); 2. Andrew Valdez (Kaw); 3. Aaron McClintock (Kaw); 4. Ricky LaMontagne (Kaw); 5. Michael Bowman (Kaw).

60 (10-11): 1. Robert Chada (Kaw); 2. Kyle Cohrs (Kaw); 3. Jack Porter (Kaw).

80 (7-11): 1. Andrew Griego; 2. Robbie Chada (Kaw); 3. Austin Boyd (Suz); 4. Cara Chada (Kaw); 5. Mike Musick (Suz).

80 (12-13): 1. Brady Sharp (Kaw) 2. Garrett Linkus (Hon); 3. Lance Hiser (Yam); 4. Peter Freas (Yam); 5. Joseph Fetters (Hon).

80 (14-15): 1. Tony Valdez (Suz); 2. Jay Lynch (Yam); 3. Adam Featheringill (Hon); 4. Brandon McGray (Yam); 5. Mike Jaurengui (Yam).

YTH BEG: 1. Joey Shedron (Hon); 2. Jay Luker (Hon) 3. Joseph Fetters (Hon); 4. Travis Martell (Kaw); 5. John Heap (Yam).

S/MINI: 1. Lance Hiser (Yam); 2. Adam Featheringill (Hon); 3. Tony Valdez (Suz); 4. W.M. High (Kaw); 5. Peter Freas (Yam).

SCHBY: 1. Ryan Bailey (Yam); 2. Nate Sharp; 3. Aaron Wersinger (Yam); 4. Adam Luhrs (Suz); 5. Seth Padilla (Yam).

16-24: 1. Matt Karlsen (Yam); 2. Chad Sharp (Hon); 3. Ryan Rozinski (Yam); 4. Brad Hendry (Yam); 5. Adam Schafroth (Hon).

125 A: 1. Wes Hale (Suz); 2. Chad Zulian (Kaw), 3. Matt Karlsen (Yam); 4. Adam Nazarenus (Yam); 5. Eric Johnson (Yam).

125 B: 1. Tyler Walker (Yam); 2. Ryan Rozinski (Yam); 3. Brad Hendry (Yam); 4. Adam Schafroth (Hon); 5. Chris Longwell (Kaw).

125 C: 1. Matt Moore (Suz); 2. Adam Luhrs (Suz); 3. Ryan Bailey (Yam); 4. Nathan Mulholland (Yam); 5. Cody Cyphert (Hon).

OPEN BEG: 1. Devin Harrity (Kaw); 2. Mark Kite (Kaw); 3. Steve Lacey (Yam); 4. Chad Green (Hon); 5. David Wiedeman (Hon).

250 A: 1. Andy Atkins (Yam); 2. Matt Karlsen (Yam); 3. Wes Hale (Suz); 4. Derek Schaffer (Hon); 5. Chad Zulian (Kaw).

250 B: 1. Brennan Baptista (Yam); 2. Russ Kleensang (Kaw); 3. Jack Pankoff (Yam); 4. David McMechen (Kaw); 5. Luke Woodman (Yam).

250 C: 1. Travis Mullins (Kaw) 2. Josh Elliot (Kaw); 3. Josh Jewell (Yam); 4. Clyde Jorgensen (Yam); 5. Christopher Jones (Kaw).

25+ A: 1. Andy Atkins (Yam); 2. Derek Schaffer (Hon); 3. Alan Angelopulos (Yam); 4. Darin Guerrie (Kaw); 5. Ed Lundquist (KTM).

25+ B/C: 1. Justin Velder (Kaw); 2. Mike Russell (Yam); 3. Kurt Teter (Hon); 4. Christopher Jones (Kaw); 5. Nicholas Susco (Yam).

30+ B: 1. Dean Haight (Yam); 2. John Clifford (Hon). 3. David McMechen (Kaw); 4. Greg Corns (Yam); 5. Nicholas Susco (Yam).

30+ C: 1. Cory Stevenson (Yam); 2. David Dorsey (Yam); 3. Duane Linkus (Yam); 4. Brice Sikich (Hon); 5. Rick Martin (Yam).

40+ A: 1. Dean Haight (Yam); 2. John Clifford (Hon); 3. Joe Shedron (Yam); 4. Pat Leahy (G-G); 5. Kurt Dimick (Yam).

40+ C: 1. David Dorsey (Yam); 2. John McGray (Yam); 3. Bruce Sikich (Hon); 4. James Martell (Kaw); 5. David Smith (Kaw).

OPEN/4-STRK: 1. Brennan Baptista (Yam); 2. Greg Corns (Yam); 3. Dale Winczewski (Yam); 4. Duane Linkus (Yam).

WMN A: 1. Jessica Snyder (Kaw); 2. Dawn Winczewski (Yam).

WMN B: 1. Cara Chada (Kaw), 2. Cindy Bennett (KTM); 3. Kelly Longwell (Yam).

WMN C: 1. Angie Eron (Kaw); 2. Rose Bromberg (Yam); 3. Noelle Guerrie (Kaw).

Hofmaster genuine at Megacross opener

By Merle Acord

MENDOTA, IL, MAY 1

Tom Hofmaster, aboard a Banzai Racing-backed Suzuki, opened the Miller Genuine Draft Megacross eight-race series with a come-from-behind charge to the checkers in the 250cc A class. Hofmaster stayed on the gas after the high-speed straightaway past the starting gate and whipped through the high-banked switchback. Twice - once in the first lap of the 250cc qualifier, the other in the first lap of the main - Hofmaster dropped his RM250. Both times he remounted at the back of the pack.

"I got up as fast as I could," said Hofmaster. "I knew I had to ride fast, so I kept the throttle on. Finally I got up to Roy (Nafzger) and was able to get around. Roy was riding really good and leading the class in the later laps. Greg Brat was going good, too, until he caught a corner in the last lap and went down."

In other race action, 7-year-old Joe Tarver won the 50cc Senior class on a quiet but hard-running Cobra.

"I've been mostly winning since I started riding," said Joe, who has been riding for two years, "but I like the 60cc class better because they go faster and I can jump higher."

Anthony Weber did not take the lead in the 14- to 24-year-old class until the white-flag lap, when he passed Mike Spencer for the point.

"It was a good race," said Weber. "My front end washed out in the early laps and I had to work my way back. This was the first good start I've got all day, and it wasn't all that hard. I didn't try to follow anybody else's lines; I just took what they gave me and went with it."

Andy Stacy led Todd Sheedy off the line and went straight to the checkers in the Over 25 class. Dean Sheldon and Chris Schmulbach were third and fourth.

Ty Tyrrell was first off the line in the 65cc class, and he said he would be back and hoped to win them all this year. Brock Murphy had a problem off the gate when an anxious throttle hand caused him to hit the gate and loop it. Murphy recovered and brought it home for second, behind Tyrrell. Philo Petricig, whose goal is to be a leading lady of motocross, came in third.

In Over 30 A competition, Andy Stacy did a tank slapper coming out of a switchback that culminated in a monstrous wheelie. Stacy kept right on motoring for his second main-event win of the evening.

Meanwhile, Mark Wright won the Over 30 B class.

"I can't say enough about the track," said Wright. "It was great tonight. Anyway, I never complain when I'm winning."

Results

50 JR: 1. Damon Sexton (KTM); 2. Kenn Dage (Cob); 3. Adam Boggio (KTM).

50 SR: 1. Joseph Tarver (Cob); 2. Tyler Baylis; 3. Vaughn Mays (Cob); 4. Ryan Howerton (Hus); 5. Eric Gustafson (KTM).

65: 1. Ty Tyrrell (Kaw); 2. Brock Murphy (Kaw); 3. Philo Petricig (Kaw); 4. Adam Tarara (Kaw); 5. Ed Martin (KTM).

85: 1. Ryan Poulter (Suz); 2. Tad Tyrrell (Suz); 3. Dan Biba (Suz); 4. Justin Kelly (Yam); 5. Andrew Tyrrell (Suz).

125 A: 1. Tom Hofmaster (Suz); 2. Greg Braet (Suz); 3. Nate Eslinger (Yam); 4. Chris Schmulbach (Yam); 5. Brandon Jeffrey (Kaw).

125 B: 1. Anthony Weber (Suz); 2. Don Harms (Suz); 3. Todd Mencias (Suz); 4. Mike Gray (Suz); 5. Bob Gardner (Suz).

125 C: 1. Mike Wendricks (Suz); 2. Joseph Davis (Yam); 3. Erick Fisch (Kaw); 4. Jim Walker (Kaw); 5. Jeremy Estes (Suz).

250 A: 1. Tom Hofmaster (Suz); 2. Roy Nafzger (Kaw); 3. Nate Eslinger (Yam); 4. Chris Schmulbach (Yam); 5. Greg Braet (Suz).

250 B: 1. Steve Howell (Kaw); 2. Mike Spencer (Suz); 3. Bob Gardner (Suz); 4. Japeth Suslee (Yam); 5. Todd Mencias (Suz).

250 C: 1. Jim Walker (Kaw); 2. Stan Simmons (Hon); 3. Arradiusz Kruk (Kaw); 4. Adam Quest; 5. Ryan Singler (Kaw).

14-24: 1. Anthony Weber (Suz); 2. Mike Spencer (Suz); 3. Tim Van Beveran; 4. Joseph Davis (Yam); 5. Eric Foltynewicz (Yam).

25+: 1. Andy Stacy (Yam); 2. Todd Sheedy (Kaw); 3. Dean Sheldon (Suz); 4. Chris Schmulbach (Yam); 5. Keith Sheldon (Suz).

30+ A: 1. Andy Stacy (Yam); 2. Roy Nafzger (Kaw); 3. Dean Sheldon (Suz); 4. Theron Maring (Kaw); 5. Ron Downen (Kaw).

30+ B: 1. Mark Wright (Hon); 2. Richard Lappin (Yam); 3. Tim Lancaster (Yam); 4. Brad Goins (Hon); 5. Craig Calsyn (KTM).

35+: 1. Roy Nafzger (Kaw); 2. Ron Downen (Kaw); 3. Richard Poplawski (Yam); 4. David Pucharich (Yam); 5. Phil Banks (KTM).

4-STRK OPEN: 1. Todd Sheedy (Yam); 2. Jason Coleman (Yam); 3. Scott Miller (Hon); 4. Greg Holman (Hon); 5. Frank Orsini (Yam).

North, South 1-1 at Costa Mesa Speedway

By Elaine Jones
Photo by Mike Basso

COSTA MESA, CA, APR. 24

It was Kids Night at Costa Mesa Speedway, and a favorite of the younger crowd, Shawn "Mad Dog" McConnell from Southern California, won the Scratch main event, while Billy Janniro from Northern California won the Handicap main event.

Because it was Kids Night, the promoter decided to involve them in the racing. The choice of starting position for the Scratch main was determined by a foot race run by kids chosen out of the grandstand. Each kid would be representing one of the riders in the main. There were four boys and one girl, with the girl running for McConnell - and run she did, as she flat whooped the boys, bolting ahead from the get-go and staying there all the way to the finish line. McConnell chose to start on the pole, with Randy DiFrancesco lining up next to him in gate two and Gary Hicks in gate three. Starting in the outside two positions were Dukie Ermolenko and Bobby Schwartz.

McConnell read the gate perfectly and was out first. He dropped low on the pole, and that was all she wrote. Schwartz also got out real good, and he dropped in behind McConnell, looking for a chink in the leader's armor. Hicks was busy in third, trying to find his way around both of them. With two laps gone, Hicks found an opening, got by Schwartz and went looking for McConnell.

Things weren't as easy for Hicks there, as McConnell's riding style does not make him easy to pass. Time ran out, and Hicks would have to be happy with his second-place finish. Schwartz picked up the show spot, with DiFrancesco and Ermolenko rounding out the field. The win was vindication for McConnell, who had a horrible opening night.

The lineup for the Handicap main placed Robbie Sauer by himself on the 10-yard line. Way behind him on the 40 were DiFrancesco, Jim Estes and Gary Ackroyd. Billy Janniro and Eddie Castro lined up on the 50, and Hicks and Brad Oxley shared the 60-yard line. The first start saw Castro and Ackroyd tangle in the first turn, with Ackroyd getting his arm stuck in Castro's bike. All were allowed to restart, and this time it was Sauer leading the way. He held on for four laps before Janniro ran him down, with Hicks right behind Janniro. Oxley also got through and the three of them battled down to the wire, but Janniro was able to hold them off. Hicks was second, with Oxley third. Castro made the pass on Sauer on the last lap for the fourth spot, with DiFrancesco, Estes and Ackroyd rounding out the field.

The Sidecar main looked more like a destruction derby than a race. The lineup had the team of Alan Hall and Dirk Votaw on the pole, with the Mission Yamaha team of Bill Matherson and Dale Leeder in two, and the boy/girl team of Scott Cole and Leya Cravens in three. On the outside was the other half of the Mission Yamaha stable: John Matherson and James Eiland. The first red came out when Matherson and Leeder spun out in five and sidecars went everywhere. The second red came out when Leya Cravens got spit off the sidecar coming out of two and hit the wall pretty hard. She shook it off and climbed back aboard for a third try. This time it was Matherson and Leeder who came out on top, and they put some daylight between themselves and the rest of the field. Hall and Votaw wound up second after getting by the sputtering Yamaha of Matherson and Eiland. Cole and Cravens finished third.

Kevin "Banana Man" Rubio came from the 20-yard line and took the lead on the second lap to win the Support main event. Randy Skinner, coming from the 30, was second, with Bentley Barrett third. The Support B main event went to school teacher Brad Rudy, who was so excited that you would have thought he just won a National. Terry McCurdy was second, with Phil Harmatiuk third.

Results

SCR: 1. Shawn McConnell (GM); 2. Gary Hicks (GM); 3. Bobby Schwartz (GM); 4. Randy DiFrancesco (Jaw); 5. Dukie Ermolenko (Jaw).

HDCP: 1. Billy Janniro (Jaw); 2. Gary Hicks (GM); 3. Brad Oxley (Wes); 4. Ed Castro (Jaw); 5. Robbie Sauer (Jaw).

SDCR: 1. B. Matherson/D. Leeder (Yam); 2. A. Hall/D. Votaw (Yam); 3. S. Cole/L. Cravens (Yam); 4. J. Matherson/J. Eiland (Yam).

SUP: 1. Kevin Rubio (Jaw); 2. Randy Skinner (Jaw), 3. Bentley Barrett (Jaw); 4. Don Robinson (Jaw); 5. Mark Hitchcock (Jaw).

SUP B: 1. Brad Rudy (Wes); 2. Terry McCurdy (Jaw); 3. Phil Harmatiuk (Jaw); 4. Joey Maruscal (Jaw); 5. Peter Curtis (Jaw).

(Above) John Long III (36) and Jeff Haldeman (27) finished first and second during 50cc (7-8) short-track action in Hanover, Pennsylvania.
(Above right) Jeff Eide won the 125cc class at the final round of the CRC Tri-Race Series, held at Los Angeles County Raceway in Palmdale, California.

Maeda the "Donn" of OTHG MX

By Chris Sanchirico

MORENO VALLEY, CA, APR. 25
Journalist Donn Maeda traded in his laptop computer and cushy 17th-story office for a chance to roost with the Over The Hill Gang Expert class. Appearing very comfortable - for an ex-ATV rider - on the technical Starwest track, Maeda finished 1-1 en route to the overall class victory.

The victory was far from easy, as Maeda had to work hard for the win in both motos. At the start of moto one, it was perennial holeshot artist Tim McEntee at the front of the pack. In tow was the Daniel Bush-prepped YZ400 of Maeda, Steve Piattoni, and White Brothers/Troy Lee-backed Chris Sanchirico. At the end of lap one, it was Maeda seizing the lead from McEntee, followed by Piaittoni and Sanchirico.

Out front, Maeda proceeded to check out with a firm lock on the lead. The battle for third began to heat up, with McEntee, Piattoni and Sanchirico jockeying for position. Sanchirico grabbed too much throttle exiting a turn and did a 360 before hitting the dirt, putting himself at the back of the field. The battle for second was still a dogfight, with KX rider Bruce Criswell entering the fray as well. Criswell battled his way into second but performed a spectacular get-off on a massive tabletop. A set of broken handlebar mounts ended his day. Eric Dorkfin replaced Criswell in the fight for runner-up honors. With McEntee still holding second, Dorkfin worked his way around both Piattoni and McEntee to claim second place. With one turn to go, Piattoni stuffed McEntee to claim third at the checkers. McEntee courageously held on to fourth after injuring his foot while casing a double.

As the gate dropped for the second moto, it was the RM of Piattoni leading the way, with Charlie Gilmore, Dorkfin and Sanchirico giving chase. A third of the way into the first lap, an overanxious Dorkfin tried to triple a jump in heavy traffic and landed directly on top of Gilmore in a horrifying crash that took both riders out of the race. Gilmore ended up with a broken wrist and a sore body.

Piattoni was out in front, unaware of the carnage behind him. Sanchirico held second, and Maeda held third. Soon Maeda began to pressure Sanchirico for second, and after two laps of intense pressure from the thundering four-stroke, Maeda worked his way past, setting his sights on first-placed Piattoni. The lead was shortly Maeda's, as he cruised to the checkers uncontested. Piattoni's 2-2 rewarded him with second overall, and Bennet's 5-3 was good enough for third.

Results

BEG: 1. Shane Thuesen; 2. Chuck Elsea; 3. Chet Dyreson; 4. Rick Rees; 5. Kevin Gotto.

NOV: 1. Tim Farley; 2. Bob Morales; 3. Gerry Martinez; 4. David Vinlove; 5. David Dubois.

INT: 1. Jeff Hamblin; 2. Scott Hack; 3. Brett Menzie; 4. Steven Ayler; 5. Kevin Tait.

EX: 1. Donn Maeda; 2. Steve Piattoni; 3. Chuck Bennet; 4. Eric Dorkfin; 5. Chris Sanchirico.

PRO: 1. Willy Musgrave; 2. Jim Henn; 3. Skip Godinez; 4. Scott McDonough; 5. Darrin Nishimura.

38+ BEG: 1. Reid Franke; 2. David Renner; 3. Mark Kareutzer; 4. Don Huddleston; 5. Ronald Wutzke.

38+ NOV: 1. Lee Evans; 2. Pat Lavespere; 3. Tim Mendenhall; 4. Brian Hobbs; 5. George Colletti.

38+ INT: 1. Brion Korth; 2. Robert Von Schneitian; 3. Dick Shelton; 4. Phil Beckman; 5. Gary Juola.

38+ EX: 1. Rick Purcell; 2. Dave Rodriguez; 3. Duane Quale; 4. Jeff Fahy; 5. Val Fukunaga.

38+ PRO: 1. John Greenway; 2. Clayton Blood; 3. Paul Neddles; 4. Dennis Foster; 5. Mark Siroty.

SUP: 1. John Greenway; 2. Dusty Nabor; 3. Chris Neitzel; 4. Chris Sanchirico; 5. Kiel Mattsson.

SUP 80: 1. Dane Jackson; 2. Jacob Mason; 3. Kyle Cowling; 4. Dustin Mattal; 5. Ryan Piattoni.

Miller, Mullen maul 'em at Trail-Way ST

By Len Breech

HANOVER, PA, APR. 24
Surviving restarts and several downed riders, Roy Miller and Don Mullen swapped wins in the 250cc and 600cc A-class finals as Trail-Way Speedway completed its first nighttime short-track event of the season. Topping the Over 30 class was Mike Klopp. Jim Chapman took an easy Over 40 win, while Dave Smith took the 500cc Two-Valve honors. After having to scratch from the 600cc A race just before the restart due to a flat rear tire, Rick Winsett Jr. came back to take the Sportsman final, while Phil Libhart won the 750cc A competition.

Double winners highlighted the Amateur classes, as John Lewis V destroyed the 65cc and 85cc classes by 10 yards. Shawn Baer topped the 125cc and 250cc B finals on his Baer Racing machines. Repeating their wins of two weeks previous were Brett Pugh in the 50cc Oil-Injected class, Eric Stump in the 50cc (4-6) class, and John Long III in the 50cc (7-8) class, while Joe Prisco took the 600cc B-class honors.

Miller put his Yamaha in front of Mullen as they both put several lengths on Dave Smith, Raun Wood and Corey Hormes at the start of the 250cc A final. But it was all for naught, as the red flag came out. On the restart, Mullen briefly took the lead, but Miller retook it before the completion of the lap. Only a bike length separated them for the rest of the race.

The quickest early-season riders, Rick Winsett Jr. and Kevin Varnes, led the 600cc A race on both starts, with Don Mullen, John Winsett Jr. and Roy Miller fighting for third. Varnes was one of several to low-side in the fourth turn. On the following lap, another rider fell, and just as the red flag was coming out, Winsett pitched it away in the first turn. Before the race could be restarted, Rick Winsett's bike developed a leak in the rear tire, sending him to the pits. With two of the first four out, and another in the rear, it was a new race. Miller took the lead off the restart, but Mullen had retaken the lead before the lap was over. John Winsett Jr. moved past Mike Klopp for third at the halfway flags, while Ken Yoder took fourth from Klopp on the 10th lap. At the flag, Mullen won by a bike length.

Results

50 OIL-INJ: 1. Brett Pugh (Yam); 2. Mike Diffenderfer (Yam); 3. Derek Hersh (Yam); 4. Josh Standiford (Yam); 5. Mitch Harvat (Yam).

50 (4-6): 1. Eric Stump (KTM); 2. Brandon Tillman (KTM).

50 (7-8): 1. John Long III (Lem); 2. Jeff Haldeman (Lem); 3. Evan Baer (Pol); 4. Megan James (Act); 5. Michael Wagner (Act).

65: 1. John Lewis V (Kaw); 2. Jeff Haldeman (Hon); 3. Michael Wagner (Kaw); 4. John Long III (Yam).

85 (7-11): 1. John Lewis V (Yam); 2. Wayne Wagner (Hon); 3. Brian Phillips Jr. (Yam); 4. Bryan Armstrong (Kaw).

85 (12-15): 1. Travis Sennett (Yam).

125 B: 1. Shawn Baer (Yam); 2. Ryder Malone (Kaw); 3. Robby Reynolds (Hon).

250 A: 1. Roy Miller (Yam); 2. Don Mullen (Hon); 3. Corey Hormes (Hon); 4. Damian Kocovinos (Hon); 5. Rich Mellinger (Yam).

250 B: 1. Shawn Baer (Rtx); 2. Mike Brabson (Hon); 3. Charlie Parker (Kaw); 4. Ray Lied (Yam); 5. Zach Calcutt (Hon).

500 A 2-VALVE: 1. Dave Smith (Yam): 2. Jim Chapman (Yam); 3. David Leiphart (Yam); 4. Ed Romecki (Yam); 5. Raun Wood (Yam).

600 A: 1. Don Mullen (Rtx); 2. Roy Miller (Rtx); 3. John Winsett Jr. (Rtx); 4. Ken Yoder (Rtx); 5. Mike Klopp (Hon).

600 B: 1. Joe Prisco (Rtx); 2. Bruce Miller (ATK); 3. Ray Stillwell (KTM); 4. Dave Slade (Mai); 5. Dave Higgins (Rtx).

750 A: 1. Phil Libhart (Tri); 2. John Winsett Jr. (Tri); 3. Jim Chapman (Tri); 4. Mark Miller (H-D); 5. Brian Eckhart (Tri).

30+: 1. Mike Klopp (Hon); 2. Dallas Baer (Rtx); 3. John Winsett Sr. (Rtx); 4. Bill Bromley (W-R); 5. Mark Myers (Rtx).

40+: 1. Jim Chapman (Rtx); 2. Mike Keane (Hbg); 3. Steve Heiser (Kaw); 4. Bruce Miller (ATK); 5. Dave Higgins (Rtx).

SPTSMN: 1. Rick Winsett (Rtx); 2. Kevin Varnes (Rtx); 3. Phil Libhart (Rtx); 4. Ken Yoder (Rtx); 5. Don Mullen (Rtx).

Gruhn walkin' away in Memphis Motocross

By Drew Lincoln

MILLINGTON, TN, APR. 24
Reigning Formula RD National Champion Dick Gruhn returned to action at Memphis Motorsports Park after missing several WERA Vintage race weekends so far this year. Gruhn made the trek from his Canton, Georgia, race shop to begin his defense of the Formula RD National Championship he won last year. Formula RD allows only lightly modified, air-cooled Yamaha RD models to race one another, with the emphasis therefore on rider ability, à la Super Stock racing.

The WERA Vintage Series came to Memphis Motorsports Park for the sixth event of their 22-round series this season, with the eight-lap vintage races being run in conjunction with the WERA Sportsman Series' Saturday Solo 20 events. Memphis Motorsports Park boasts one of the longest front straightaways in the country, incorporating the NHRA drag strip and braking area for a straight almost one mile in length. According to WERA Vintage rules, only a rider's six best finishes are taken into account going into the Grand National Finals, giving this points championship a winner-take-all feel.

Quickbikes Racing, home of the 1997 and 1998 Formula RD National Champions, specializes in two-stroke porting and performance work. Team owner Dick Gruhn has been an avid tuner and vintage racer for many years, but 1998 marked his first National Championship as a rider. Gruhn dominated the Formula RD final early in the day on his championship-winning Daytona 400, a motorcycle he built to be competitive in this particular class. He was also able to use his Michelin-shod Quickbikes Racing RD 400 to win the Super Vintage Formula 500cc class later in the day, putting his stamp of authority on the Memphis vintage races.

Other multi-time winners on the weekend were William Buff Harsh and Richard Oldakowski, with two wins apiece. Harsh, using a Honda CB350, won the Vintage Two and Vintage Three races and grabbed a third in Vintage One. Oldakowski captured wins in both the Lightweight Classic and Mediumweight Classic races on his Honda 700.

The Vintage Five race was won by Harold Page Jr., who was followed closely by David Rutherford, who in turn won the Heavyweight Classic race on a BSA. Steve Staser topped Kenneth Debelak and the aforementioned Harsh in Vintage One, all on Honda CB350s. The Formula Two-Stroke race was won by the Yamaha RZ350 of Rick Guirey, while the Vintage Six race, the only event held on Sunday, was won by Darren Martin on a TZ250.

Results

F-RD: 1. Dick Gruhn (Yam); 2. Mark Wyland (Yam); 3. Joseph Henderson (Yam).

F-500: 1. Dick Gruhn (Tri); 2. Mark Wyland (Yam).

F-2-STRK: 1. Rick Guirey (Yam).

L/W CLSC: 1. Richard J. Oldakowski (Hon).

M/W CLSC: 1. Richard J. Oldakowski (Hon).

H/W CLSC: 1. David Rutherford (BSA).

VINT D-1: 1. Steve Staser (Hon); 2. Kenneth A. Debelak (Hon); 3. William Buff Harsh III (Hon).

VINT D-2: 1. William Buff Harsh III (Hon).

VINT D-3: 1. William Buff Harsh III (Hon).

VINT D-5: 1. Harold Page Jr. (Yam); 2. David A. Rutherford (Kaw).

VINT D-6: 1. Darren Martin (Yam); 2. Douglas Reese (Suz).

Eide the pride of CRC MX

By Greg Robertson

PALMDALE, CA, APR. 25
The third and final round of California Racing Club's 22nd annual Tri-Race Series, held at Los Angeles County Raceway, saw Yamaha-mounted Jeff Eide use a 2-1 punch to knock out the competition in a highly competitive 125cc Intermediate class.

When the starting gate slammed to the sand for the first moto, it was Chris Thompson rounding the first turn with the holeshot. Matt Armstrong ran a close second, over Eide and Todd Gosselaar. Eide was the first to make a move, going underneath Armstrong after a lap to move into second place. A short time later, Armstrong lost his front end in a turn and took an LACR soil sample. Gosselaar was following in the same line and could not avoid the fallen Armstrong, and that quickly made it two riders on the ground.

Meanwhile, up front, Eide had closed to the back fender of Thompson and was starting to show him his front fender. In the same corner that claimed Armstrong and Gosselaar on the preceding lap, Thompson tossed away his Suzuki; Eide, right on his tail, also went down. The first rider back up and under way would be the leader of the race. Eide proved to be quickest - but not before Brent Gilliam threaded his way between the duo to run out front.

Eide was all over Gilliam for a lap before he messed up a tricky little turn on the Saddle Glen part of the course and had to pick up his bike again. Eide's miscue gave Gilliam about five seconds of breathing room with a couple of laps remaining. Eide managed to cut Gilliam's lead in half, but he would have to be content with a runner-up finish. Gosselaar came across in third, which was impressive considering that this was his first Intermediate race since moving up out of the 80cc ranks. Donnie Durrer put in a great effort for fourth, over Armstrong and Thompson.

Armstrong edged out Thompson on the second-moto start, with Eide, Durrer and the rest of the field in close formation. After a lap, it was Armstrong out front, with Eide knocking at the door. Eide managed to slip past Armstrong on the back section of the Saddle Glen section for the lead. Armstrong stuck with Eide for a couple of circuits of the sand track before Eide turned up the wick on his YZ125 to pull away for the victory. Gilliam used a surprising 1-5 score to earn second over the 5-2 of Armstrong.

Results

P/W YAM BEG: 1. Dalton Costahaude (Yam); 2. Kyle Prince (Yam); 3. Eric Kahler (Yam); 4. Panos Bravos (Yam); 5. Matthew Popp (Yam).

P/W YAM ADV: 1. Mitch Staben (Yam); 2. Sean Robison (Yam).

P/W BEG: 1. Sean Springer; 2. Justin Schouler (Lem); 3. Zachary Grandmaison (HM); 4. Alyssa Prince (HM); 5. Devin Wilson (KTM).

P/W ADV: 1. Armando Aquilar (KTM); 2. Michael Truglia (KTM); 3. Patrick Carroll (KTM); 4. Christopher Bracket (KTM); 5. Gary Arellano (KTM).

P/W 60: 1. Daniel King (Yam).

P/W 70: 1. Tina Poole (Hon).

S/P/W (4-6): 1. Keith Robinson (Cob).

S/P/W (7-9): 1. Armando Aquilar (KTM); 2. Michael Truglia (KTM); 3. Gary Arellano (KTM); 4. Christopher Bracket (KTM); 5. Michael Arellano (KTM).

60 BEG: 1. Nick Sanchez (Kaw); 2. Patrick Carroll (Kaw); 3. Charlie McGowan (Kaw); 4. Eric Truglia (Kaw).

60 (9-11): 1. Drew Gosselaar (Kaw); 2. Douglas Carter (Kaw); 3. Preston Lundin (Kaw); 4. Ken Slater Jr. (KTM); 5. Timmy Ritzler (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Michael Brewer (Hon); 2. David Norris (Hon); 3. Jimmy Patrick (Yam); 4. Justin Morrow (Yam); 5. Tanner Langham (Suz).

80 (7-11): 1. Randall Hall (Kaw); 2. Dave Carter (Kaw); 3. Garrett Norr (Suz); 4. Matt Elliott (Hon); 5. Derreck Murphy (Suz).

80 (12-13): 1. Mitchell Alsobrook (Kaw).

80 (14-16): 1. Chris Norr (Hon); 2. Caleb Gosselaar (Hon); 3. Robert Clark (Yam).

S/MINI: 1. Chris Norr (Hon); 2. Garrett Norr (Suz).

125 BEG: 1. Ryan Robertson (Suz); 2. Louie Santiago (Yam); 3. Grant Moore Jr. (Yam); 4. Chris Warren (KTM); 5. Darin Chisholm (Hon).

125 NOV: 1. Scott Howe (Yam); 2. Deuce Rutledge (Hon); 3. Brandon Norton (Yam); 4. Ryan Riess (Yam); 5. Shaun Trabert (Kaw).

125 INT: 1. Jeff Eide (Yam); 2. Brent Gilliam (Yam); 3. Matt Armstrong (Yam); 4. Donnie Durrer (Yam); 5. Chris Thompson (Suz).

250 BEG: 1. Brian Adams (Suz); 2. Bryan Ward (Yam); 3. Scott Johnson (Yam); 4. David D'Anza (Hon); 5. Del Cox.

250 NOV: 1. Justin Eide (Yam); 2. Ole Henden (Yam); 3. Neil Chisholm (Hon).

250 INT: 1. Nick Mairose (Suz).

500 PRO: 1. Norm Schiel (Hon).

JR VET BEG: 1. Troy Robinson (Hon).

JR VET NOV: 1. Scott Minster (Suz); 2. Gabi Abayou (Hon); 3. Shy Moshe (Suz).

JR VET INT: 1. Chris Reed (Kaw); 2. Tim Konkol (Yam).

VET BEG: 1. Mark McGowan (Yam); 2. Jon Hall (Hon); 3. James McConnell (Yam).

VET NOV: 1. Joe Casagrande (Yam); 2. Gary Harada (Kaw); 3. Rob Enriquez (Yam); 4. Jeff Hall (Suz) 5. Shy Moshe (Suz).

VET INT: 1. Danny Battaglia (Yam); 2. Leo Saul (Yam); 3. Tim Konkol (Yam).

VET PRO: 1. Bryan Nelson (Yam); Tim Telford (Yam); 3. Troy Welty (Suz); 4. Frank Costanzo (Hon); 5. Edwardo Flippo (Hon).

SR NOV: 1. Michael Burnett (Yam); 2. Ken Slater Sr. (Kaw); 3. Dave Hagberg (Hon); 4. Kenny Kopecky (Kaw); 5. John Morrow (Yam).

SR AM: 1. Steve Williams (Hon); 2. Grant Moore (Hon); 3. Steve Norr (Hon).

SR EX: 1. Edwardo Flippo (Hon); 2. Norm Schiel (Hon).

Allen bolts to Mid-South Hare Scrambles win

By Debbie Allen

CUMBERLAND FURNACE, TN, MAY 2
Mid-South started its Summer Camp Series, and of the 122 riders in attendance, it was P.A. Allen who burned it up in the Furnace's new course, which consisted of tight woods and several natural grass tracks for spectators and riders to enjoy. In the end, Allen won the overall.

(Left) Mike McCrea jumps his way to second overall at round one of the Mid-South Summer Hare Scrambles Series in Cumberland Furnace, Tennessee. (Right) Rodney Morrison (52) power-slides through a Carlsbad corner ahead of Over 30 Expert winner Rob Wilshire (10).

Though he usually rides in the 250cc/Open A class, Allen said he wanted to ride an RM125 because he thought he could ride it faster. He did. Allen won with more than a two-minute lead on his A-class opponents, and he claimed fastest lap time on the 4.4-mile course.

"I wanted to pull a big lead, because my 125 doesn't have a big tank and (I knew) I would have to gas," said Allen. "I was second off the start, and I passed Chris (Hicks) right away. Once out in front, I cruised for the finish."

Allen was followed by Team Green's Mike McCrea, who suffered from arm pump because he was too anxious.

"After everything settled down, my front brake started to give me a little trouble," said McCrea.

He managed to pull ahead of all his troubles and pass 250cc/Open A leader Gary Hendricks on the fourth lap. McCrea stayed in second overall from there on. He finished second in the 200cc A class as well.

Gary Hendricks followed McCrea, 17 seconds back, and managed to stay out in front of his 250cc/Open A opponents throughout the entire race, finishing third overall. Jeremy Ketchum drove into a fourth-place overall position with little trouble.

"I was in seventh place on the first lap," said Ketchum. "Gary (Hendricks) had over a minute on me about the fifth lap. The last three laps, I reeled him in and got within 10 seconds."

Ketchum went down, but he still managed a second in the 250cc/Open A class.

Four-Stroke winner Kevin Creekmur finished seventh overall. Creekmur was second in the woods off the start and held the lead briefly before being passed by the lead pack.

Rod Lyonhurst assured his win in the Vet class by taking an extra lap, accepting 15th overall. Senior winner Mark Hosbach said that he really enjoys a good ride on a new course. He proved it by winning his class with a minute to spare.

Results

O/A: 1. P.A. Allen (Suz); 2. Mike McCrea (Kaw); 3. Gary Hendricks (Kaw); 4. Jeremy Ketchum (KTM); 5. Lance Smith (Kaw).

250/OPEN A: 1. Gary Hendricks (Kaw); 2. Jeremy Ketchum (KTM); 3. Lance Smith (Kaw); 4. Jason Moody (KTM); 5. Phillip Barker (Hon).

200 A: 1. P.A. Allen (Suz); 2. Mike McCrea (Kaw); 3. Clay Hedgepath (KTM).

OPEN B: 1. Patrick Taylor (KTM); 2. Mike Vandiver (KTM); 3. Gene Thurman (Hon); 4. Jed Goad (Yam); 5. Steven Lambruno (Yam).

250 B: 1. Ed Boardwine (Kaw); 2. Jason Dickey (Suz); 3. Jimmy Anderson (Suz); 3. Mark Anderson (Suz); 4. Mark Barton (Kaw); 5. Shane Gillespie (Yam).

200 B: 1. Derek Bratcher (Kaw); 2. Kyle Peacock (Kaw); 3. Ryan Taylor (Yam); 4. Scott Crick (Kaw); 5. Brad Carter (Yam).

4-STRK A/B: 1. Kevin Creekmur (Hon); 2. Jim Parsons (Hon); 3. Neal Vanway (Yam); 4. John Howling (Yam); 5. Joel Gibson (Kaw).

VET: 1. Ron Lyonhurst (Hon); 2. Tom Haines (Kaw); 3. Ruel Jones (Yam); 4. David Lambeth (Kaw); 5. John Glaus.

SR: 1. Mark Hosbach (Hus); 2. Curtis Comer (Hon); 3. Ronnie Hackett (Suz); 4. Leon Parker (Yam); 5. Ricky Miller (Suz).

4-STRK C: 1. Tony Rion (Yam); 2. Tim Abernathy (Hon); 3. Heath Sutton (Hon); 4. Bub Nicewinter (Kaw); 5. Randy Burke (Yam).

VET C: 1. Mark Elliot (Hon). 2. Dennis Holden (Kaw); 3. Mark Fly (KTM); 4. Bill Fagan (Hon); 5. Chip Struenberg (Yam).

SR C: 1. Ted Presson (Suz); 2. Lewis Webb (Yam); 3. Janson Dukes (Kaw); 4. Bill Easter (Suz); 5. James Millican (KTM).

H/W TRL: 1. Kendall Tuck (Hon); 2. Brad Riley (Yam); 3. Adrian Gervais (Kaw). 4. Grady McCormick (Hon); 5. Brad Hicks (KTM).

L/W TRL: 1. Chris Conner (Kaw); 2. Charles Jaghab (Kaw); 3. Timothy Henderson (Hon); 4. Kevin Ayscue (Kaw).

BEG: 1. Jason Wafford (Yam); 2. Jeffrey Oldham (Kaw); 3. Michael Higginbotham (Kaw).

Wilshire scorches CMXR

By Kirk Chandler

CARLSBAD, CA, APR. 17

With temperatures reaching the high 80s, Rob Wilshire was just as hot as he outdueled Rodney Morrison for the overall victory in the Vet Expert class.

When the gate dropped for the first moto, it was Morrison throwing his Honda around the first turn in the lead, followed by Nathan Pittman and Wilshire. Morrison started to open a lead over Wilshire, who was able to pass Pittman before the end of the second lap. With a clear view of Morrison, Wilshire began reeling him in, but with little notice Tim Theodore crept onto the rear wheel of Wilshire and it became a three-way battle for the lead.

On the fifth lap, the bottom fell out for Morrison, as he lost the lead to Wilshire and was then passed for second by the end of the lap. Theodore pulled up on Wilshire and kept his charge going, getting around Wilshire just before the finish line. With one lap left, Theodore managed to hold off a hard-charging Wilshire for the win, and Morrison finished third.

As the racers cleaned off the starting pad for the second moto, Theodore was not present and would not start the second moto, thus leaving the race to Wilshire and Morrison. When the pack rumbled around the first turn, the two riders were side by side, but Morrison closed the door in turn two. Wilshire kept close for the first lap, but he made a couple of mistakes that allowed Morrison the opportunity to pull a two-second advantage. As quickly as Morrison made up the ground, Wilshire pulled it right back in and he was right alongside when they careened off the Ledge and into Rattlesnake Gulch. Wilshire grabbed an extra handful of throttle at the top of the drop, allowing him to pull ahead of Morrison. Morrison held close to Wilshire for another two laps, but he fell victim to slower, lapped riders. Wilshire pitched his bike flat over Devils Drop and coasted with his hand in the air across the finish line. Morrison finished right behind a lapper and wound up second overall on the day.

Results

80 BEG: 1. Cory Gustafson (Yam); 2. Matthew Adams (Hon); 3. Shae Smith (Hon).

80 NOV: 1. Tyler Keefe (Yam).

80 INT: 1. Kevin Breid (Yam).

125 BEG: 1. Andrew Wagerman (Yam); 2. Ben Marvin (Hon); 3. Adam Cozen (Yam).

125 NOV: 1. Larry Smith (Hon); 2. Peter Leo (Yam); 3. Mike Diorio (Yam).

250 BEG: 1. Shawn Holgate (Kaw); 2. Scott Jenson (Yam); 3. Brian Fullerton (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Jeff Lysdale (Kaw); 2. Sean Pehr (Hon); 3. Jayson Monroe (Yam).

250 PRO: 1. Todd Mitchell (Suz); 2. Marty Moates (Yam).

OPEN NOV: 1. John Taylor (Yam); 2. Jan Myerson (Yam); 3. John O'Grady (Hon).

OPEN INT: 1. D.R. Clement (TM); 2. Brian Reicher (Yam); 3. Jake Elkins (Yam).

30+ BEG: 1. Bob Bryson (Yam); 2. Ron Adams (Yam); 3. Jack Watkins (Kaw).

30+ NOV: 1. Greg Maicyski (Hon); 2. Warren Johnson (Yam); 3. Zach Lindberg (Yam).

30+ INT: 1. Dane Anderson (Yam); 2. Colin Birtles (Yam); 3. Bill Keefe (Yam).

30+ EX: 1. Rob Wilshire (Hon); 2. Rodney Morrison (Hon); 3. James DeRidder (Yam).

40+ NOV: 1. Zack Lindberg (Yam); 2. Rick Renning (Kaw); 3. Don Hartly (KTM).

40+ INT: 1. Brad Cutcott (Kaw); 2. Bob Barnett (Yam); 3. Jim Hudson (Yam).

40+ MSTR: 1. Daniel Davalos (Suz); 2. Paul Vogelsang (Yam); 3. Paul Needles (Yam).

40+ EX: 1. Toby Taki (Yam).

50+ OPEN: 1. Steve Bussell (Yam); 2. Steve Sabin (Suz).

WMN NOV: 1. Tiffany Holtman (Kaw).

Simmons caps off two at Daniel Boone Motocross

By Susan S. Willian

LONDON, KY, APR. 18

Despite the chill of a spring wind, Daniel Boone Motocross was filled with excitement as William Simmons landed wins in two classes.

The first moto of the Unlimited B class found Simmons first off the line but swinging too wide around the first turn, allowing J.T. Smith to move into the first position. As the race progressed, Simmons and Smith pulled away from their competitors. Lap three saw Simmons make his move to get back by Smith. Smith tried to recapture the lead. As the moto came to a close, Smith made one last attempt to pass Simmons, but he was unsuccessful and Simmons took the moto win.

Allen Booher, who finished fourth in the first moto, was the early leader in the second round of action, as Simmons piloted his machine into second. Smith, back in fourth, had a bad start.

"I came over the tabletop and I thought I was going to be cute and pass everybody," said Smith. "But my bike went one way and I went the other to crash."

Midway through the moto, Simmons turned on the afterburner and he finally got by Booher. Simmons was then able to ride his machine without competition to the checkered, inking his second moto win and tallying the overall. Booher held second at the finish while Smith closed the gap on third-place rider Donnie Adams. Smith charged by Adams on the final lap to finish third in the moto.

In the 125cc B race, Joseph LeMaster was the first around turn one as Simmons, Matt Richey, Smith and Adams followed. Simmons made an attempt to go by LeMaster but bobbled. Simmons recovered and pulled beside LeMaster and then took the front spot. Simmons chalked up another win as Smith picked off Richey and then LeMaster to take second, while LeMaster settled for third.

Ryan Sipes won three classes. In the first moto of the 85cc (14-15) contest, Justin Jones was the early leader, with Sipes second. Sipes got by Jones on the first lap and he remained first at the checkered with a wide margin. Moto two was even better for Sipes, as he shot off the gate and gained a huge lead for the moto win and the overall. Jones went 2-2 for second in the class.

T.J. Blake fired off the gate in the first round of the Schoolboy class, with Sipes close at hand. Sipes made his move early when Blake developed problems as he swung wide while trying to miss a downed rider; he then lost the second slot to Matt Withrow. As a result, Sipes was victorious, as Withrow held second and Blake fell back to fifth.

Sipes was better prepared at the start of moto two, and he took the lead early. Second-placed Hutch Lee, in hopes of moving into the front position, waited for Sipes to err, but Sipes did not let off and he took the checkered with Lee right on his rear fender.

Results

50 SHAFT: 1. Andrew Langworthy (KTM); 2. Isaac Rowland (Yam); 3. Blake Tuttle (Yam).

50 (4-6): 1. Andrew Langworthy (KTM); 2. Clay Combs (KTM); 3. Rachel Milburn; 4. Travis Hardcastle (KTM).

50 (7-8): 1. Luke Vonlinger (KTM); 2. Jacob Rowland (Cob).

65 (7-9): 1. Dusty Rowe (KTM); 2. Matthew Brown (KTM); 3. Cory Smith (Kaw); 4. Jacob Rowland (Kaw); 5. Shelly Rolen (Kaw).

65 (10-11): 1. Justin Sipes (Kaw); 2. Matt Vonlinger (KTM); 3. Josh Estes (Kaw).

85 (7-11): 1. Justin Sipes (Kaw); 2. Michael Akaydin (Kaw); 3. Chad Helton (Suz); 4. Dusty Rowe (KTM); 5. Matt Vonlinger (KTM).

85 (12-13): 1. Matt Smith (Kaw); 2. Casey Fanner (Yam); 3. Alex Lewis (Kaw); 4. Chad Chasteen (Yam); 5. Brandon Gregory (Yam).

85 (14-15): 1. Ryan Sipes (Kaw); 2. Justin Jones (Yam); 3. Robbie Gray (Suz); 4. Jared Whitaker (Yam); 5. Ryan Pawley (Kaw).

80 D: 1. Alex Lewis (Kaw); 2. Brandon Moore (Yam); 3. Sean Young (Yam); 4. Kacy Thompson (Hon).

S/MINI: 1. Robbie Gray (Yam); 2. Justin Jones (Yam); 3. Ryan Pawley (Kaw); 4. Jared Whitaker (Yarn); 5. Matthew Crawford (Yam).

125 A: 1. Brad Cassada (Hon).

125 B: 1. William Simmons (Hon); 2. J.T. Smith (Hon); 3. Joseph LeMaster (Yam); 4. Donnie Adams (Hus); 5. Matt Richey (Kaw).

125 C: 1. Adam Wilson (Yam); 2. Gabriel Collett (Kaw); 3. Brad Goodwin (Kaw); 4. Ronnie Mills (Yam); 5. Garnett Tuttle (Hon).

125 D: 1. Brian Wade (Hon); 2. Joe Tierman (Kaw); 3. Jonathan Salyers (Hon); 4. Mark Miller (Hon); 5. Cleveland Howard (Yam).

250 A: 1. Larry Gessner (KTM); 2. Rodney Carrier (Yam).

250 B: 1. Kevin Blake (Kaw); 2. Allen Booher (Yam); 3. Matt Withrow (Yam); 4. Junior Green (Kaw).

250 C: 1. Adam Wilson (Yam); 2. Darrell Jones (Yam); 3. Randy Barger (Kaw); 4. Nick Hoskins (Yam); 5. Jordan Gallaher (Hon).

250 D: 1. Tim McGill (KTM); 2. Morris Buckhorn (Kaw); 3. Michael Templeman (Hon); 4. Gary Hetcox (Kaw); 5. Brian Coghill (Kaw).

SCHBY: 1. Ryan Sipes (Kaw); 2. Matthew Withrow (Yam); 3. Hutch Lee (Kaw); 4. Jeremy Flynn (Hon); 5. T.J. Blake (Yam).

25+ A: 1. Larry Gessner (KTM); 2. Rodney Carrier (Yam); 3. Brad Cassada (Hon); 4. Steve Hensley (Hon).

25+ B: 1. Kevin Black (Kaw); 2. Harry Watts (Yam).

25+ C: 1. Anthony Foster (Yam); 2. Garnett Tuttle (Hon); 3. Keith Cottongin (Hon); 4. Donny Kaelin (Yam); 5. Ahmet Akaydin (Kaw).

30+ A: 1. Larry Gessner (KTM); 2. Rodney Carrier (Yam); 3. Bobby Ousley (Yam); 4. Steve Hensley (Hon).

30+ C: 1. Darrell Jones (Yam); 2. Jonathan Langworthy (Kaw); 3. Donny Kaelin (Yam); 4. Barry Allen (Hon); 5. Ahmet Akaydin (Kaw).

35+: 1. David Farris (KTM); 2. Barry Allen (Hon); 3. Ahmet Akaydin (Kaw).

40+: 1. David Farris (KTM); 2. Terry Blake (Yam); 3. Gene Campbell (Hon); 4. James Green (Kaw).

4-STRK: 1. Harry Watts (Yam); 2. Jonathan Taft (Hon).

U/L B: 1. William Simmons (Hon); 2. J.T. Smith (Hon); 3. Allen Booher (Yam); 4. Donnie Adams (Hus).

U/L C/D: 1. Michael Campbell (Hon); 2. Stephen Bordes (Kaw); 3. Nick Hoskins (Yam); 4. Gabriel Collett (Kaw); 5. Donny Kaelin (Yam).

Anderson, Jacobus dynamic at Carlsbad Motocross

By Bob Alloy

CARLSBAD, CA, APR.17

The Riverside Old-Timers Motocross Club gathered at Carlsbad Raceway and right off the bat, Master A-class rider Hootie Davis got the holeshot and continued on for two laps until Mark Anderson put the pass on him. The pass was the first of many on the day that provided tight and exciting racing action.

As the moto wore on, Anderson proved to be unstoppable as he powered in with the win, followed by Davis. But Davis returned and pulled off another holeshot and ruled for another two laps in the second moto. Again Anderson slipped past and continued his winning streak, with Davis hanging in for second.

Master B-class rider Dave Jacobus showed the rest of the field how to do it when he grabbed both moto holeshots and both wins as well. Dennis Middleton took second in the first moto, and Jack Roten earned second in moto two.

George Spearing was unbeatable in all seven laps during the first Expert moto. Jim McConnell kept the power up and crossed the finish line in second. Moto two started with McConnell

absconding with the holeshot and holding off Spearing during the first lap. Spearing, well-known to have following problems, made his move past McConnell and continued on with great speed to take another first place. Meanwhile, McConnell wrapped up another second.

Dennis Rosenberg blew away all the competition with an excellent show of holeshot starts in the Amateur division. Barry Hale kept his KTM on the pipe and grabbed second place with a pass on Phil Blackburn. Andrew Imiti did some fast moving and passing to take third.

In moto two, while Rosenburg was running away with the win, Imiti passed John Clemens during the second lap and held on to finish second, as Gabe Gutierrez made all the right moves to clinch third place.

Steve Hoctman stayed ahead of the Novice pack with a holeshot start in both motos. Hoctman ended up with two moto wins as well. John Webb was in fourth place at first but maneuvered his Honda around third and fourth to own second. Asker Larnkjaer got a next-to-last-place start but moved through all the traffic to finish third. In moto two, Webb brought his bike home in second, behind Hoctman, and Larnkjaer rounded out the top three.

Results

MSTR A: 1. Mark Anderson (Kaw); 2. Hootie Davis (Hon).
MSTR B: 1. Dave Jacobus (Yam); 2. Jack Roten (Hon).
EX: 1. George Spearing (Kaw); 2. Jim McConnell (Kaw).
AM: 1. Dennis Rosenberg (Hon); 2. Andrew Imiti (KTM); 3. Gabe Gutierrez (Yam); 4. Barry Hale (KTM).
NOV: 1. Steve Hoctman (Hon); 2. John Webb (Hon); 3. Asker Larnkjaer (Suz).

Soito okey-dokey at Little Okie

By Brandon Gilles

MADERA, CA, APR. 24
Les Soito took first place in the 80cc Beginner class during California Motocross Association race action at the Little Okie Motocross facility.

Dustin Pipes was Soito's main competition and, after losing the holeshot to Soito, Pipes was determined to make up for it. Starting out in third, he quickly passed second-placed Kris Bunch before the second lap. By the third lap, Pipes had snatched first place from Soito. Pipes went on to take the win in the first moto.

However, in the second moto, Pipes was not so fortunate. He got a bad start, and everything went downhill from there. Once again Soito got the holeshot, and he stayed out front. With Pipes far behind, Soito took first place and the overall win. Also in the top five for the second moto were Kris Bunch, Trevor Larimer, Derek White and Scott McKinnon, who finished in fifth. Overall, it was Soito, Bunch, Larimer, White and McKinnon.

In other action, Robby Baptista took first in the 80cc Novice class.

Results

50 (0-6) STK BEG: 1. Zachary Summers (KTM); 2. Hunter Alfonso (KTM).
50 (0-6) STK NOV: 1. David Dodson (Yam).
50 (0-6) NOV: 1. Ty Keenom; 2. Duane Pederson (KTM).
50 (7-8) STK BEG: 1. Loren Rivers (KTM); 2. J.B. Buller (KTM).
60 (0-8) BEG: 1. Nicolas Baker (KTM); 2. Cody Greer (Kaw); 3. Joshua Duppong (KTM); 4. Ryan Craigo (Kaw).
60 (0-8) NOV: 1. Dustin Pipes (Kaw).
60 (9-11) BEG: 1. Andrew Desilagua (KTM); 2. Derek White (Kaw); 3. Kyle Balsdon (Kaw).
60 (9-11) NOV: 1. Kyle Zarr (Kaw).
80 BEG: 1. Les Soito (Hon); 2. Kris Bunch (Kaw); 3. Trevor Larimer (Yam); 4. Derek White (Suz); 5. Scott McKinnon (Yam).
80 NOV: 1. Robby Baptista (Hon).
125 BEG: 1. Joshua Cox (Suz); 2. Joshua Foursha (Suz); 3. Cory Fursman (Yam); 4. Stephen Hoph (Hon); 5. James Hoak (Hon).
125 NOV: 1. Tony Wolf (Yam); 2. Justin Lott (Kaw); 3. Buffalo Soito (Hon).
125 INT: 1. Chris Dias (Yam); 2. Tim DeCoste (Suz).
250 BEG: 1. Phil McCauley (Hon); 2. Sean Naffziger (Yam); 3. Jose Hamilton (Yam); 4. Johnny Chavez (Hon); 5. Bryan Berna (Suz).
250 NOV: 1. Craig Ranells (Yam); 2. Keith Rhodes (Kaw).
250 INT: 1. J.R. Archutowski (Hon).
250 PRO: 1. Jess Medley (Hon).
25-29 BEG: 1. Jason Martin (Kaw).
VET BEG: 1. Robert Wise (Hon); 2. Johnny Chavez (Hon); 3. David Holmes (Kaw); 4. Bill Summers (KTM).
VET INT: 1. John Buller (Yam).
VET NOV: 1. Craig Ranells (Yam).
O/T BEG: 1. Brenda Burson (Kaw).
O/T NOV: 1. Mark Hawkins (Hon); 2. Nick McKinnon (Yam); 3. Bob Kosovilka (Kaw).

Kealamakia, Partridge quite a pair at St. George Motocross

By Dick Goodwin

ST. GEORGE, UT, APR. 18
KTM's Junior Cycle rider extraordinaire Brandon Kealamakia and American Suzuki's 80cc ace Kyle Partridge demonstrated convincingly why they each have a string of sponsors after their names as they each stepped up and demolished the competition in their respective classes. Kealamakia set the tone early, as he was competing in the first moto of the day.

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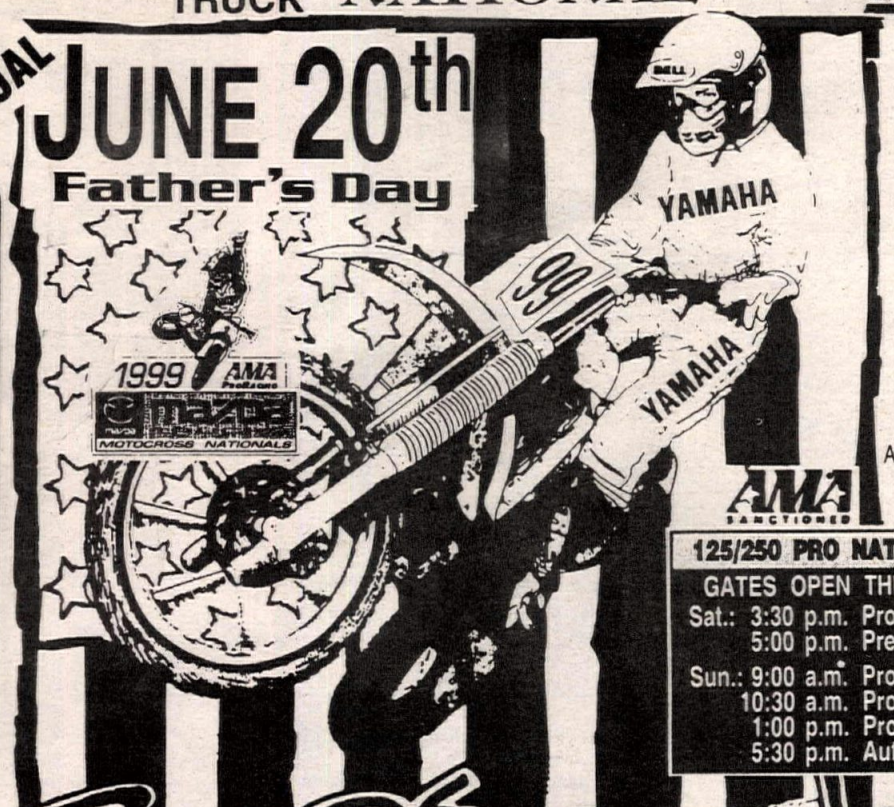

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At the start, Brett Preuss stole a little thunder as he grabbed the holeshot to lead Kealamakia and Austin Stucki off the line. Kealamakia dogged Preuss for a while and then whipped past him for the lead. Kealamakia notched it up and started to leave the field behind, as Preuss was busy holding off Stucki. Edge Berry and Ronnie Goodwin battled just behind. Meanwhile, Kealamakia was awesome as he developed a monster lead that just kept growing with each lap.

Stucki passed Preuss, and they were having a great battle for second. Fox/IMS-sponsored Goodwin was on the gas in fourth, and when Stucki went down in the whoops, Goodwin took over a solid third. Kealamakia won big, with Preuss a lonely second and Goodwin third.

Kealamakia wasted no time in moto two, as he zipped out in front of Preuss and Berry when the gate dropped. Kealamakia ran away and hid again, but Preuss and Stucki went at it tooth and nail for a couple of laps until Preuss went down in the back rhythm section. Shortly thereafter, Stucki crashed over a double jump, allowing Berry to close up and battle for second. Brandon Kealamakia was long gone and romped home to another easy victory on his way to the overall 60cc (9-11) trophy, ahead of Edge Berry and Brett Preuss. Austin Stucki finished in second place, thereby wrapping up the overall 60cc (6-8) crown, ahead of Ronnie Goodwin and Chance Ariotti.

In the combined 80cc race, the color was green. Kappy Kealamakia, Brandon's older brother, laid waste to the field when the gate dropped. Kyle Partridge, racing just a tick behind, quickly muscled his way into the lead. Nick Bulloch was hard on the gas in third. Partridge immediately pulled out big lead. Kealamakia and Bulloch were sorting it out for second, while Zac Humphries was running strong in fourth. Partridge whipped it home for a monster win, while Kealamakia took the measure of Bulloch for second.

Kyle Partridge stuck his Suzuki out in front of Kealamakia, Bulloch and Humphries to start race two. Partridge was on fire, stretching the distance on his competitors even further than he had in race one. Once again, Kealamakia and Bulloch were having a wild dice for second. As the race progressed, Partridge got so far out in front that he looked like he was behind, sailing across the finish line for his second straight win and the overall 80cc Intermediate title. Kappy Kealamakia finished second and second overall on the day. Nick Bulloch flashed past in third for first overall in the 80cc (12-15) class, ahead of Shane Vernlund and Zac Humphries.

Results

P/W STK (4-6): 1. Blake Savage (KTM); 2. Codi Norton (KTM); 3. Kaden Murphy (KTM); 4. Dusty Humphries (KTM); 5. Tash Hansen (Cob).

P/W STK (7-8): 1. Ronnie Goodwin (Cob); 2. Dillan Glendenning (Cob); 3. Quade Haynie (Lem); 4. Jaegher LaFountaine (Cob); 5. Daniel Giotto (KTM).

P/W OPEN (4-6): 1. Blake Savagel (KTM); 2. Tash Hansen (Cob); 3. Dusty Humphries (KTM); 4. Codi Norton (KTM); 5. Jaycen Shaw (KTM).

P/W OPEN (7-8): 1. Ronnie Goodwin (Cob); 2. Dillan Glendenning (Cob); 3. Jaegher LaFountaine (Cob); 4. Quade Haynie (Lem); 5. Daniel Giotto (KTM).

S/P/W: 1. Ronnie Goodwin (Cob); 2. Jaegher LaFountaine (Cob); 3. Dillan Glendenning (Cob).

60 NOV (6-8): 1. Austin Stucki (Kaw); 2. Ronnie Goodwin (Kaw); 3. Chance Ariotti (Kaw); 4. Austin Gomez (Kaw); 5. Tony Caputo (Kaw).

60 NOV (9-11): 1. Brandon Kealamakia (KTM); 2. Edge Berry (Kaw); 3. Brett Preuss (Kaw); 4. Bryce Sacks (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Devin Sullivan (Kaw); 2. Joshua LaFountaine (Yam); 3. Justin Rogers (Yam); 4. Brandon Sacks (Hon); 5. Ryan Mehr (Yam).

80 NOV (7-11): 1. Brandon Kealamakia (Kaw); 2. Tracon Kirk (Yam); 3. Anthony Hart (Kaw); 4. Spencer Gomez (Kaw); 5. Brett Preuss (Kaw).

80 NOV (12-15): 1. Nick Bulloch (Kaw); 2. Shane Vernlund (Yam); 3. Zac Humphries (Yam); 4. John Shaw (Hon); 5. Josh Barney (Yam).

80 INT: 1. Kyle Partridge (Suz); 2. Kappy Kealamakia (Kaw).

S/MINI: 1. Kyle Partridge (Suz); 2. Kappy Kealamakia (Kaw); 3. Nick Bulloch (Kaw).

125/250 BEG: 1. Jason Smith (Suz); 2. Roger Mickels (Yam); 3. Dan Philips (Yam); 4. Jon Pola (Yam); 5. Jerry Torgerson (Hon).

125 JR: 1. Scott Theobald (Yam); 2. Willie Ungerman (Yam); 3. Jason Brown (Yam); 4. Clark Ungerman (Yam); 5. Brandon Quayle (KTM).

125 INT: 1. Joshua Bulloch (Yam); 2. Marcus Davis (Yam); 3. Daniel Price (Yam).

250 JR: 1. Rory O'Neill (Kaw); 2. James Quigley (Yam); 3. Donald Sweitzer (Hon); 4. Bradley Sullivan (Hon); 5. Jace Kirk (KTM).

250 INT: 1. Kelly Oldroyd (Yam).

250 PRO: 1. Kirk Huff (Yam); 2. Mike Chase (Suz); 3. Monte Montague (Yam); 4. Larry Lawrence (Kaw).

OPEN JR: 1. Scott Theobald (Yam); 2. Joshua Thurgood (Yam); 3. Matt Button (Yam); 4. Clint Smith (Yam); 5. Jason Brown (Yam).

OPEN PRO: 1. Monte Montague (Yam); 2. Larry Lawrence (Kaw); 3. Kirk Huff (Yam); 4. Mike Chase (Suz).

25+ JR: 1. Rory O'Neill (Kaw).

Telford, Frank fly at Edwards AFB Motocross

By Greg Robertson

EDWARDS AFB, CA, MAY 2

Yamaha riders Tim Telford and Chad Frank found the high-speed, Desert Wheels-prepped sand track at Edwards Air Force Base to their liking, as they flew to the Vet Pro and 125cc Novice-class wins, respectively, during the opening round of California Racing Club's 22nd annual Dunestown Series.

The always-changing track happens to be one of Telford's favorite venues, and it shows, as he put his YZ400 at the front of the field right out of the gate in the first moto and slowly pulled away for the win. Jon Zahrt overcame a mediocre start to eventually work his way around fellow Suzuki rider Jon Nelson to finish in second place. Bryan Nelson earned fourth, over Troy Welty.

Telford's unique stand-up, rarely-take-a-foot-off-the-pegs-in-the-turns style simply outmatched the competition in round two, as he went wire to wire to collect the CRC first-place payback along with the Yamaha contingency money that was up for grabs. Zahrt could not find a way around Jon Nelson this time out and had to settle for third overall behind the 3-2 of Nelson. Things went better for Welty as he crossed the line in fourth, over Bryan Nelson.

In the first 125cc Novice moto, Brandon Norton was running out front after the pack got sorted out on lap one. Frank hounded Norton for a couple of circuits before making his way into the top spot. Scott Howe and Daniel Baswill pushed Norton back to fourth to run in second and third respectively by the midway point. Howe zeroed in on Frank and used a last-lap pass to take the first-moto win. Norton fought his way around Baswill for third, with Riley Beckinger finishing fifth.

Frank wasted little time in making his way to the head of the pack in moto two. Bo Williams controlled the runner-up position, ahead of Howe, Shane Smith and Norton. Howe dropped Williams back to third and set out after Frank. Howe closed in on Frank, but Frank withstood the pressure to go 2-1 on his Simi Cycles/The Racers Edge/Axo-backed YZ125 for the overall. Norton eventually picked off both Williams and Smith to go 3-3. William's 6-5 earned fourth over the 11-4 of Smith.

Robert Memoli was untouchable in the 60cc (9-11) class on his Bakersfield Yamaha/IMS/Thor-sponsored KX60, as he finished both motos with tremendous leads. Casey Logan finished second both times out, well ahead of Preston Lundin and Doug Carter. Memoli was even more impressive in the 50cc (7-11) class, in which he walked away from his competition in both races and also outran all the older 12- to 16-year-old riders in the process. Dave Carter went 3-2 to top the 2-3 of Cory Redenius for second overall.

David Bagwell picked up a new RM250 and went home with a chunk of Suzuki contingency money after topping both the Junior Vet Intermediate and Vet Intermediate classes. Vince Baioni and Jim Sendlebach trailed Bagwell in the Vets, with Nick Mairose and Steve Nelson each having a runner-up finish in the Vets and Mairose getting the nod.

Miles Buck turned a couple of good starts into his first-ever 125cc Beginner win with CRC. Buck got around a fast-starting Steve Quinones by the second lap of moto one to take the win over Chris Warren and Myan Spaccarelli.

Buck studied Nick Jepson for a couple of laps in round two before putting his CEF-backed Suzuki into the lead for good. Warren held off Ryan Robertson to finish third, behind Jepson, to claim second overall. Spaccarelli went 3-6 for third over the 8-2 of Jepson.

Results

P/W YAM BEG: 1. Eric Kahler (Yam).

P/W BEG: 1. Jordan Goraleski (Cob); 2. Ethan Kennedy (KTM); 3. Chandler Quimette (KTM); 4. Dalton Costahaude (KTM); 5. Sean Springer (Cob).

P/W ADV: 1. Christopher Bracket (KTM); 2. Kevin Carroll (KTM).

S/P/W (7-9): 1. Cale Summerfield; 2. Keith Robinson; 3. Christopher Bracket.

P/W 60: 1. Jake Canada (Cob).

P/W 80: 1. Melissa Cagle (Yam).

60 BEG: 1. Daniel Cagle (Kaw); 2. James Jenkins (Kaw); 3. Tony Nataro (Kaw); 4. Patrick Carroll (Kaw); 5. Charlie McGowan (Kaw).

60 (4-8): 1. Shawn Butler (Kaw).

60 (9-11):1. Robert Memoli (Kaw); 2. Casey Logan (Kaw); 3. Preston Lundin (Kaw); 4. Doug Carter (Kaw); 5. Nick Sanchez (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Casey Logan (Kaw); 2. David Norris (Hon); 3. Jimmy Patrick (Yam); 4. Zack Beckinger (Hon); 5. Timothy McDaniel (Yam).

80 (7-11): 1. Robert Memoli (Yam); 2. Dave Carter (Kaw); 3. Cory Redenius (Kaw); 4. Tye Hames (Kaw); 5. Matt Elliott (Hon).

80 (12-16): 1. Vincent Rhoads (Yam); 2. Anthony Barbacovi (Yam); 3. Robert Clark; 4. C.J. Mahon (Yam); 5. Mitchell Alsobrook (Kaw).

S/MINI: 1. Marcus Enriquez (Hon).

125 BEG: 1. Miles Buck (Suz); 2. Chris Warren (KTM); 3. Myan Spaccarelli (Yam); 4. Nick Jepson (Yam); 5. Robby Errett (Hon).

125 NOV: 1. Chad Frank (Yam); 2. Scott Howe (Yam); 3. Brandon Norton (Yam); 4. Bo Williams (Yam); 5. Shane Smith (Yam).

125 INT: 1. R.J. Thompson (Kaw); 2. Chris Sprenkel (Suz); 3. Travis Smith (Kaw); 4. Matt Armstrong (Yam); 5. Joel Nelson (Yam).

125 PRO: 1. Jeremy Chaussee (Kaw); 2. Mark Tilley (KTM).

250 BEG: 1. Ryan Poe (Suz); 2. Jeff Versput (Yam); 3. Bryan Ward (Yam); 4. Christopher Ross (Kaw); 5. Jesse Beard (Kaw).

250 NOV: 1. Justin Eide (Yam); 2. Chaz Smith (Yam); 3. Vincent Baioni (Suz); 4. Shane Smith (Yam); 5. Neil Chisholm (Hon).

250 INT: 1. Nick Mairose (Suz); 2. Jon Zahrt (Suz); 3. Chris Thompson (Suz); 4. Steve Nelson (Suz); 5. Tim Konkol (Yam).

250 PRO: 1. Bryan Nelson (Yam); 2. Jon Nelson (Suz); 3. Kenny Zahrt (Suz); 4. David Zahrt (Suz); 5. Wayne Zahrt (Suz).

500 BEG: 1. Ress Benson (Hon).

500 EX: 1. Norm Schiel (Hon).

JR VET BEG: 1. Matthew O'Carroll (Hon); 2. Creighton Blake (Hon); 3. Dave Helf (Suz); 4. Brian Sullivan (Suz); 5. Jay Cochran (Hon).

JR VET NOV: 1. Bruce Richards (Kaw); 2. Shy Moshe (Suz).

JR VET INT: 1. David Bagwell (Suz); 2. Nick Mairose (Suz); 3. Steve Nelson (Suz); 4. Manny Del Campo (Suz).

JR VET EX: 1. Kenny Zahrt (Suz); 2. Jon Zahrt (Suz); 3. David Zahrt (Suz); 4. Wayne Zahrt (Suz); 5. Bob Shimp (Yam).

VET BEG: 1. Nick Dally (Suz); 2. Michael Martin (Yam); 3. Robbie Tate (Yam); 4. Brian Merrill (Hon); 5. Jon Hall (Suz).

VET NOV: 1. Manny Del Campo (Suz); 2. John Condon (Suz); 3. Joe Casagrande (Yam); 4. Steven Ajh (Suz); 5. Bruce Richards (Kaw).

VET INT: 1. David Bagwell (Suz); 2. Vinnie Baioni (Suz); 3. Jim Sendlebach (Yam); 4. Steve Nelson (Suz); 5. Tim Konkol (Yam).

VET EX-PRO: 1. Tim Telford (Yam); 2. Jon Nelson (Suz); 3. Jon Zahrt (Suz); 4. Troy Welty (Suz); 5. Bryan Nelson (Yam).

SR NOV: 1. Steve Jordan (Hon); 2. David Hagberg (Hon); 3. Michael Burnett (Yam); 4. Kenny Kopecky (Kaw); 5. Ress Benson (Hon).

SR AM: 1. Steve Williams (Hon); 2. Bob Dunham (Yam); 3. Ken Slator Sr. (Kaw).

SR EX: 1. Kenny Zahrt (Suz); 2. David Zahrt (Suz); 3. John Toper (Hon); 4. Norm Schiel (Hon); 5. Bob Shimp (Yam).

O/T NOV: 1. Bruce Hoover (Kaw); 2. Dave Rutledge (Hon); 3. Art Jung (Kaw); 4. Vance Johnston (Yam); 5. John Webb (Hon).

O/T AM: 1. Bob Sherred (Hon); 2. Charles Howell (Yam); 3. Michael Burnett (Yam); 4. Steve Davison (Hon); 5. Rick Bohannan (Hon).

O/T EX: 1. Larry Williams (Yam); 2. Kirk Freeman (Yam); 3. Bob Dunham (Yam).

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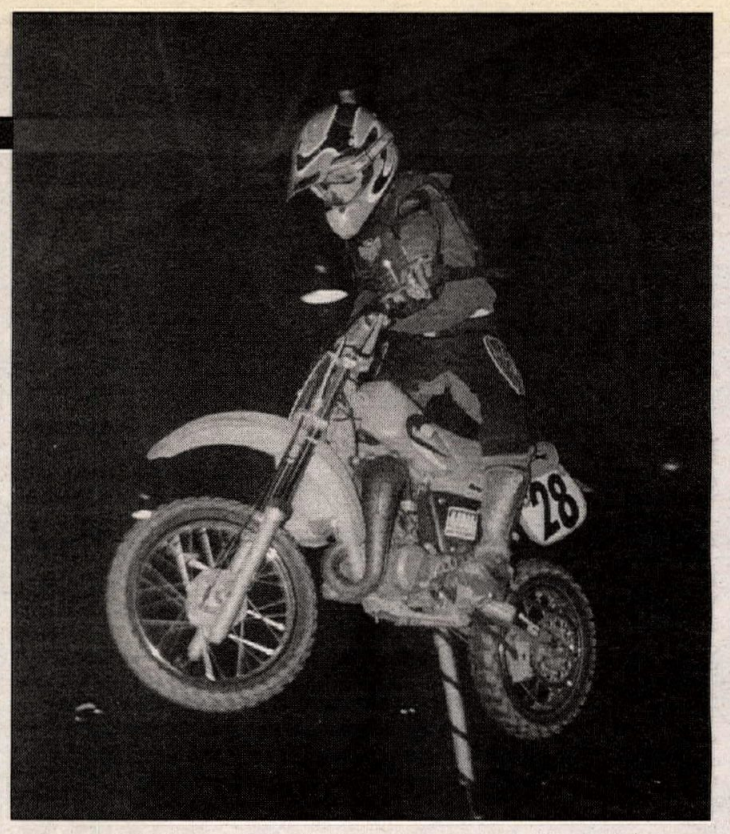

(Above left) Tim Telford shreds a berm en route to the Vet Pro win during round one of the CRC Dunestown Series at Edwards Air Force Base in California. (Above) In Shelby, North Carolina, Justin Hopson owned the 65cc (10-11) and Junior Mini classes at JMX Racing's warmup to the 1999 Rollercoaster Racing Tour.

Hopson hot at Shelby SX

By Barbara Williams
Photos by Loren Williams

SHELBY, NC, APR. 24

Justin Hopson took double wins at the first warmup race of the 1999 Rollercoaster Racing Tour Series, held at Cleveland County Fairgrounds in Shelby, North Carolina. Aboard his Shelby Motorsports Kawasaki, Hopson won the 65cc (10-11) and Junior Mini classes over a full gate of intense competitors that included regional powerhouse Garrett Church and up-and-comers Zack Mitchell, Kyle Cannon, Tyler Clark and Trey Matthews. Accepting congratulations for his performance, Hopson gave his trademark ear-to-ear grin and simply replied, "I've been practicing."

With 200 riders, many of whom were new to the series, the large number of entrants forced the running of two divisions for the 125cc D class, with trophies going to both divisions. Despite the number of riders, everyone got in as much racing as they desired, and the program was concluded by 10:30 p.m.

Hopson dominated the 65cc combined classes, heading the field in both the heat and the main events for every lap. In 65cc (7-9) competition, Church and Clark staged a head-to-head battle during their heat race in which Clark led for all but the last turn. Garrett took advantage of a tiny opening and zapped Tyler to take the checkers for first gate pick in the main.

Clark got the jump on Church on the start of the main event and held on to it with a bulldog grip, refusing to be dislodged no matter what Garrett tried.

The Junior Mini and Super Mini classes ran combined in a staggered start, and Suzuki of Gastonia's Travis Flowers ran away with the Super Mini race, shadowed by Blake Arrowood, who was riding with a still-mending collarbone.

Hopson became the engine in the Junior Mini-class freight train, cannonballing along with Clark, Church, Cannon, Jesse Carney and Matthews. Clark was the coal car, pouring fuel on the boiler until a fall derailed him and gave Hopson some welcome racing room.

While Super Mini racer Flowers lapped the field - twice - Hopson went on to take the Junior Mini win ahead of Church, Cannon, Clark and Matthews. Flowers also claimed the win in the 85cc (12-13) class over Arrowood and a determined field of 10, including Jordan Harrill, Clyde Roberts and Chevis King.

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Cody Robbins (Cob); 2. Chelsea McSwain (Yam); 3. Trevor Barrett (Cob); 4. Justin Stevens (Yam); 5. Michael Lovelace (Yam).

50 (7-8): 1. Josh Harris (Lem); 2. Tyler MacDonald (Cob); 3. Brandon White (KTM); 4. Brandon Newman (KTM); 5. Zac Miller (KTM).

50 SHAFT: 1. Cody Robbins (Yam); 2. Chelsea McSwain (Yam); 3. Trevor Barrett (Yam); 4. Michael Lovelace (Yam); 5. Justin Stevens (Yam).

65 (7-9): 1. Tyler Clark (Kaw); 2. Garrett Church (Kaw); 3. Cody Robbins (Cob); 4. Tyler MacDonald (Kaw); 5. Trey Matthews (Kaw).

65 (10-11): 1. Justin Hopson (Kaw); 2. Kyle Cannon (KTM); 3. Tim Hoyle (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Todd Nixon (Kaw); 2. Jeremy Allison (Suz); 3. Lori Zimmerman (Suz); 4. J.J. Jackson (Yam); 5. Drew Sheffield (Kaw).

JR MINI: 1. Justin Hopson (Kaw); 2. Zack Mitchell (Suz); 3. Garrett Church (Kaw); 4. Kyle Cannon (KTM); 5. Tyler Clark (Kaw).

85 (12-13): 1. Travis Flowers (Suz); 2. Blake Arrowood (Hon); 3. Jordan Harrill (Kaw); 4. Clyde Roberts (Kaw); 5. Chevis King (Suz).

85 (14-15): 1. Jeffrey Arnold (Suz); 2. Drew Sheffield (Kaw).

S/MINI: 1. Travis Flowers (Suz); 2. Blake Arrowood (Hon); 3. Jordan Harrill (Kaw); 4. Chevis King (Suz); 5. Clyde Roberts (Kaw).

125 EXHIB: 1. Paul Justus (Suz); 2. Jerry Strange (Yam); 3. William Wilson (Yam); 4. Andy Vaughan (Yam); 5. Ryan Gruber (Yam).

125 C: 1. Dustin Ledford (Yam); 2. Josh Johnston (Kaw); 3. Scott Knight (Yam); 4. Nathan King (Suz); 5. Kelly Rathburn (Yam).

125 D D-1: 1. Michael Merrell (Hon); 2. Jason Vickery (Suz); 3. Charles Center (Yam); 4. Monty Joyner (Hon); 5. Samuel Davenport (Yam).

125 D D-2: 1. Billy Harbin (Suz); 2. Andy McMurry (Suz); 3. Brian Hankinson (Hon); 4. Jeremy Martin (Suz); 5. Mike Couch (Yam).

250 EXHIB: 1. William Wilson (Yam); 2. Paul Justus (Suz); 3. Jerry Strange (Yam); 4. Casey Barnes (Suz).

250 C: 1. Scott Jones (Hon); 2. Kyle Henson (Suz); 3. Roger Parker (Yam); 4. Scott Williams (Kaw); 5. Jesse Baker (Suz).

250 D: 1. Jamie Rogers (Hon); 2. Woody Robinson (Hon); 3. James Van Atta (Yam); 4. Gary Polk (Hon); 5. Jeff Helms (Hon).

25+ A/B: 1. Scott Mainess (Hon); 2. Mark Price (Yam).

25+ C: 1. Scott Tyson (Yam); 2. Scott Williams (Kaw); 3. Ed Coleman (KTM); 4. Michael Purvis (Hon); 5. Marcus Alverson (Yam).

30+: 1. Travis Bell (Suz); 2. David Shugart (Yam); 3. Mark Price (Yam); 4. Scott Campbell (Kaw); 5. Danny O'Reilly (Kaw).

35+: 1. Travis Bell (Suz); 2. Freddy Patterson (Kaw); 3. Dewitt Jenkins (Yam); 4. Bob Matthews (Yam); 5. Randy Culbertson (Kaw).

U/L AM: 1. Jason Brendle (Hon).

U/L C/D: 1. Jesse Baker (Suz); 2. Sean Daley (Kaw); 3. Michael Merrell (Hon); 4. David Graddy (Yam); 5. Dustin Ledford (Yam).

Makinen flies at AMP/GFI Spring Series Motocross

By Jim and Valerie Enos

TURLOCK, CA, MAY 2

Mini pilot Aaron Makinen set his course and landed a convincing win in the 80cc Beginner class at round four of the 1999 AMP/GFI Spring Series, presented by Axo Yamaha and Yamaha of Modesto. With unspringlike weather hitting the Turlock Raceway, the AMP crew kept the normally busy water truck parked as a light rain drifted over the area and actually made for nearly ideal conditions throughout the day. With a 21-rider gate of anxious 80cc riders waiting, a blizzard couldn't have kept these kids grounded.

Kyle Kent, aboard a Kawasaki, got the jump on the field in moto one and quickly developed a cushion over Brandon Freeman, Makinen, Darryl Seville and Joe Shipman. With the track conditions a little on the slippery side, Shipman and Makinen both tasted soil, with Shipman losing the most ground. Kent continued to lead, though the distance to second was getting smaller as Freeman began gaining ground, with Seville in tow. Once again, however, gravity took its toll, and Freeman and Seville both went down in a big left-hander. Leader Kent also went down, but he got up quickly and maintained the lead. Makinen now followed Damon McGrath and the two promptly set out after Kent for the lead. The first challenge came over the double-double section, with McGrath and Kent side by side. Makinen dug down deep to pass McGrath on the big left-hander and then Kent after the whoop section. Makinen steadily pulled away while Kent and McGrath battled for second. Honda-mounted Philip Busalacchi and Trevor Doniak fought over fourth place, with Busalacchi holding his ground. Makinen had a safe lead up front, but both Kent and McGrath went down. Kent rebounded quickly, but McGrath was not so lucky. The checkers flew for Makinen, with Kent snagging a hard-fought second. Freeman took third, with Busalacchi and Doniak rounding out the top five.

Moto two saw the rain subside, and with excellent track conditions, Kent once again took the holeshot. However, Doniak was glued to his fender, and he got by Kent over the small step-up jump to take over the lead. Kent was promptly hounded by Makinen, who put Kent behind him with a move on the turn after the big step-up jump. Makinen quickly zeroed in on Doniak and outgunned him through the whoop section to take over the lead by the end of lap one. Also in the mix was Shipman, in fourth, and Yamaha pilot Ross Pacheco, running in fifth. Pacheco kept Seville at bay until Seville made his way around him in turn one. Seville hounded Kent and made an inside move stick. Makinen once again opened up a sizable lead, leaving the battle for second behind him to take the moto and overall win, with Doniak barely holding off Seville for second, with Kent in fourth, taking a 2-4 score for second overall. Shipman rounded out the top five, going 6-5 and fourth overall on the day.

Results

Pee Wee Track

50 (4-6) STK: 1. Christian Standers (Cob); 2. Keith Knight (HM); 3. Dillon Padilla (KTM); 4. Dylan Fernandes (KTM); 5. Charlie Moore (KTM).

50 (7-8) STK: 1. Crystal Layton (KTM); 2. Stuart Luper (Cob); 3. Matt Hazel (Cob); 4. Dillon Perales (KTM); 5. Josh Phillips (KTM).

50 (7-8) MOD: 1. Michael Flores (KTM).

50 (0-8) F/T: 1. Chance Damron (KTM).

50 (0-8) OPEN: 1. Ty Keenom (Cob); 2. Brandon Nicholson (KTM).

Main Track

50 (4-6) STK: 1. Ty Keenom (Cob); 2. Charlie Moore (KTM).

50 (7-8) STK: 1. Austin Howell (Cob); 2. Jason Shipman (KTM); 3. Christian Standers (Cob), 4. Zachary Fredrickson (Cob); 5. Dillon Padilla (KTM).

50 OPEN: 1. Brandon Nicholson (KTM); 2. Michael Flores (Cob).

60 F/T: 1. Nicholas Bizzane (Kaw).

60 BEG: 1. Preston Mull (Kaw); 2. Brandon Reyna (Kaw); 3. Luke Layton (Kaw); 4. Cody Jackson (Kaw); 5. Michael Hales (Kaw).

60 NOV: 1. Tyler Freeman (Kaw), 2. Nathan Hollister (Kaw), 3. Justin Enos (KTM), 4. Beau Weigand (Kaw); 5. Chris Santino (Kaw).

60 INT: 1. Dustin Enochs (KTM); 2. Greg Fouts (Kaw); 3. Matthew Spencer (Kaw).

60 OPEN: 1. Casey Hinson (Kaw); 2. Dustin Enochs (KTM); 3. Greg Fouts (Kaw); 4. Tyler Freeman (Kaw); 5. Justin Enos (KTM).

80 F/T: 1. Brian Di'Ciano (Kaw); 2. Larry Azevedo (Yam); 3. Matt Larson (Yam); 4. Kevin Starkweather (Suz); 5. Andrew Ramelli (Hon).

80 BEG: 1. Aaron Makinen (Suz); 2. Kyle Kent (Kaw); 3. Trevor Doniak (Suz); 4. Joe Shipman (Hon); 5. Philip Busalacchi (Hon).

80 NOV: 1. Mike Matson (Yam); 2. Brett Markarian (Suz); 3. Aaron Di'Ciano (Yam); 4. Rory Radovich (Hon); 5. David Darsey (Yam).

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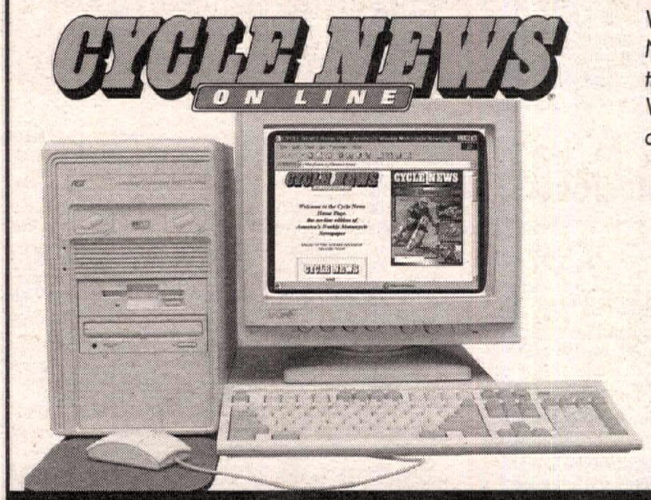

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(Far left) Joseph Schueler charged to overall wins in the 125cc A and Open A classes at round two of the District 7 MX Series, held at Happy Ramblers MX in Pennsylvania.
(Left) Travis Pastrana showboated his way to overall wins in the 125cc A and 250cc A classes at the 30th annual Blue/Grey MX at Budds Creed MX Park in Maryland.

80 INT: 1. Daniel Sani (Hon); 2. Vincent Blair (Hon); 3. Eric McCrummen (Yam).

80 S/MINI: 1. Daniel Sani (Hon); 2. Eric McCrummen (Yam); 3. Brett Markarian (Suz), 4. Aaron Di'Ciano (Yam); 5. Court Tiede (Hon).

125 BEG: 1. Josh Cox (Suz); 2. Mike Starkweather (Yam); 3. Jeremiah Gerber (Yam); 4. John Wear (Hon); 5. George Schneider (Yam).

125 NOV: 1. Chris Loredo (Yam); 2. Matt McCrummen (Yam); 3. Adam Mitter (Kaw); 4. Greg Center (Yam); 5. Matt Veer Kamp (Kaw).

125 INT: 1. Jesse Dawson (Suz); 2. Steve Mertens (Yam); 3. Craig Truglio (Kaw), 4. David Boothe (Kaw); 5. Pete Kasten (Suz).

125 PRO: 1. Tallon Vohland (Hon); 2. Jeff Pestana (Suz); 3. Daniel Blair (Yam); 4. Freddy Wiechers (Hon); 5. Jesse Olsen (Yam).

250 BEG: 1. Shay Matts (Hon); 2. Sean Naffziger (Yam); 3. Randy Avery (Suz); 4. Randy Barnes (ATK); 5. Jimmy Duran (Kaw).

250 NOV: 1. Chris Loredo (Yam); 2. Kevin Chapman (Yam); 3. Brian Gardner (Suz); 4. Brian Jones (Yam); 5. Jason Cameron (Yam).

250 INT: 1. Craig Truglio (Kaw); 2. Turbo Reif (Hon); 3. Tommy Jean (Yam); 4. Mike Anderson (Yam); 5. Dylan Vicha (Yam).

250 PRO: 1. Tallon Vohland (Hon); 2. Naoki Serizawa (Hon); 3. Freddy Wiechers (Hon); 4. Dennis Stapleton (Yam); 5. David Lodermeier (Yam).

25+ BEG: 1. David Cox (Kaw); 2. Wayne Ward (Hon); 3. Robert Becvar (Yam); 4. Ed Whitecotton (Suz).

25+ NOV: 1. Brian Gardner (Suz); 2. Steve Storie (Hon).

25+ INT: 1. Kevin Roach (Yam); 2. Kurt Kuhn (Yam).

30+ BEG: 1. Michael Flores (Yam); 2. Anthony Munoz (Yam); 3. Wayne Taylor (Hon); 4. Andrew Mynatt (Hon); 5. Bob Thompson (Yam).

30+ NOV: 1. Richard Fox (Yam); 2. Craig Ranells (Yam); 3. William Serpa (Yam); 4. Pat LeForge (Suz).

30+ INT: 1. Kurt Kuhn (Yam); 2. Shawn Fisher (Yam), 3. Steve Storie (Hon); 4. Tim Alvarado (Kaw).

30+ PRO: 1. Randy Pockrandt (Kaw); 2. Mike Johnson (Suz); 3. Randy Alvarado (Yam).

35+ NOV: 1. Richard Fox (Yam); 2. Craig Ranells (Yam); 3. Robert Woehrle (Hon); 4. Jim Enos (Suz); 5. Ross Robertson (Yam).

35+ INT: 1. Steven Storie (Hon); 2. Gary Plaatje (Kaw); 3. Joseph Gonzalez (Yam); 4. Tim Alvarado (Yam).

40+ NOV: 1. Steve Bacchini (Yam); 2. Mark Mitzel (Hon); 3. Kevin Wilkinson (Suz); 4. Jim McGowan (Yam).

40+ INT: 1. Joseph Gonzalez (Yam); 2. Craig Ranells (Yam).

WMN: 1. Kaide Garrett (Kaw); 2. Norma Jean Jean (Yam).

U/L BEG/NOV: 1. Matt McCrummen (Yam); 2. George Schneider (Yam); 3. Sean Hampton (Suz).

U/L INT/EX: 1. Kurt Long (Hon); 2. Ken Noland (Kaw).

OTHG BEG: 1. Tina Handelin (Yam); 2. Scott Cutly (Yam).

OTHG BEG 38+: 1. Jim Kubo (Yam); 2. Darrell Burr (Hon).

OTHG NOV: 1. Mark Mitzel (Hon); 2. Dale Mathers (KTM); 3. Tom Sullivan (Yam).

OTHG INT: 1. Pat LeForge (Suz); 2. Jim Enos (Suz); 3. George Pritchett (Kaw); 4. Matt Longo (Yam); 5. Robert Woehrle (Hon).

OTHG EX: 1. Shawn Fisher (Yam); 2. Steven Storie (Hon).

OTHG PRO: 1. Mike Johnson (Suz); 2. Randy Pockrandt (Kaw).

Cook fries one up at PIR

By Lisa Conzatti

PORTLAND, OR, APR. 18

Jockey David Cook stretched his thoroughbred Yamahas' legs at the Oregon Motorcycle Road Racing Association's inaugural race of the 1999 season. Winning three of his four classes, he showed the racing fans what he could do astride the hot new Yamaha R1 and R6.

Nabbing the holeshot in all four outings, Cook rode away with the win in the 600cc Superbike, Open Superbike and Open Super Sport classes. Cook attributed his fifth-place finish in the 600cc Super Sport race to a poor choice of tires. It had been raining off and on all day, and he chose to run stock tires in the 600cc Super Sport contest, hoping for some dry pavement. By race time, the rain was pretty significant and the "non-rains" gave him a lot of trouble. Cook opted to play it safe and ease his way around the track.

"I had a good day," Cook said, "with the (possible exception) of really going the wrong direction with the bike because of the weather."

The 600cc Super Sport race was a very exciting race for the top three racers: Mike Sullivan, aboard a Team Green Kawasaki ZX-6, and John Dugan and Rob Carpenter, both on Yamaha R6s. All three passed Cook early on, and it was quite a battle with several position changes, including some hair-raising passing of backmarkers by Sullivan.

Twice, Carpenter got by Sullivan on the front straight of the 1.9-mile, nine-turn track. Both times ended in Sullivan smoking by him on the brakes at the end of the straight. All three were weaving in and around backmarkers by midrace. In the hunt for Sullivan, Carpenter and Dugan made questionable decisions to both pass a lapper (on both sides) in turn one. Fortunately, there were no casualties. Sullivan edged out the win, followed by Dugan and Carpenter.

Results

125 GP: 1. Paul Ludwig (Yam); 2. David Lanigan (Suz); 3. Brent Gies (Yam); 4. Craig Fabische (Yam); 5. Bob Jensen (Suz).

250 GP: 1. Craig Harry (Yam); 2. Gene Brown (Yam); 3. Kory Gill (Yam); 4. Alan Currie (Yam); 5. Herbert Wagner (Yam).

450 S/SPT: 1. Richard Matthew (Hon); 2. Kevin Sheafer (Hon); 3. Steven Cobb (Hon); 4. Nobi Iso (Apr); 5. Danielle Saxman (Apr).

450 S/BK: 1. Scott Connolly (Yam); 2. Joe Pethoud (Hon); 3. Paul Ludwig (Yam); 4. Craig Fabische (Yam); 5. Bardsley Donovan (Yam).

M/W S/BK: 1. Richard Matthews (Hon); 2. Chris Franks (Hon); 3. Darcy Ziegler (Yam); 4. Andy Moore (Hon); 5. Jerry Walker (Suz).

OPEN CLSC S/BK: 1. Hakan Backman (Kaw); 2. Michael Kelly (Yam); 3. Wayne Chan (Yam).

650 GP TW: 1. Alan Schwen (Suz); 2. Kenneth Botham (Hon); 3. Michael Cardenas (Hon); 4. David Lanigan (Suz); 5. Jeff Lind (Duc).

600 S/SPT EX: 1. Mike Sullivan (Kaw); 2. John Dugan (Yam); 3. Rob Carpenter (Yam); 4. Joe Rozanek (Suz); 5. David Cook (Yam).

600 S/SPT AM: 1. Mark Dimmock (Yam); 2. Jon Taylor (Kaw); 3. Darin Sims (Hon).

600 S/BK: 1. David Cook (Yam); 2. Mike Sullivan (Kaw); 3. Jon Burtness (Yam); 4. Rob Carpenter (Yam); 5. John Dugan (Yam).

750 S/SPT EX: 1. John Dugan (Suz); 2. Scott Gooch (Kaw); 3. Robert Underwood (Suz); 4. Josh Bryan (Suz); 5. Andy Pleune (Suz).

750 S/SPT AM: 1. Mark Dimmock (Yam); 2. Brian LaFavor (Yam); 3. Trent McLean (Suz); 4. Ron Saner (Hon); 5. Ken Hutchison (Yam).

750 S/BK: 1. John Dugan (Suz); 2. Dale Yamada (Suz); 3. Gregory Bouwens (Suz); 4. Mike Sullivan (Duc); 5. Jacob Holden (Suz).

OPEN GP TW: 1. Dan Wilson (Suz); 2. Andy Pleune (Suz); 3. Josh Bryan (Suz); 4. Charles Shortt (Suz); 5. Scott Ferrell (Suz).

OPEN S/SPT EX: 1. David Cook (Yam); 2. Michael Mitchell (Yam); 3. Scott Gooch (Kaw); 4. Tamer Kekhia (Kaw); 5. Jeff Shults (Yam).

OPEN S/SPT AM: 1. Brian LaFavor (Yam); 2. Trent McLean (Suz); 3. Clint Ruck (Suz); 4. Jason Cinqmars (Suz).

OPEN S/BK: 1. David Cook (Yam); 2. Jon Burtness (Suz); 3. Robert Underwood (Suz); 4. Sam Solomon (Yam); 5. Mike Sullivan (Kaw).

Schueler soars at Happy Ramblers Motocross

By Jerry Athey

HANOVER, PA, APR. 25

Diamond Motorsports/FMF/Maier Manufacturing-backed Yamaha rider Joseph Schueler flew to the overall wins in the 125cc A and Open A classes at round two of the District 7 Expert Motocross Series, held at Happy Ramblers MX.

The race, which featured special awards for the amateur classes, drew more than 400 riders to do battle on the tight and technical supercross-style course. After a close second-place finish in the first 125cc A moto, Schueler jumped into the early lead in moto two and never looked back, scoring the overall win in a tie breaker over Shenandoah Honda/Boyesen/Twin-Air-supported Jason Conlon, and later taking the win in the Open A class with a commanding double moto victory.

When the gate dropped for the first 125cc A moto, it was the quick-starting Conlon who rocketed into the lead, followed closely by Schueler. RPP/FMF/Thor-backed Yamaha rider Ronnie Miller was third, followed by Kawasaki-mounted Ryan Jones and Kevin Brodsky Jr., on a Yamaha. As Conlon motored to a five-second advantage over Schueler, the hard-charging Brodsky moved around Jones and began to hound Miller for third, eventually taking the spot with an aggressive pass on the final lap. Just after the halfway mark in the moto, Schueler began to chew at Conlon's lead, closing a few seconds per lap. Brodsky was strong in third, followed by Miller and Ray Wilt Honda FMF-backed Cecil Williams, who charged into the top five. Schueler closed in on Conlon later in the moto as the Honda rider began to encounter lappers, but despite his incredible charge he had to settle for the runner-up spot as Conlon blitzed the checkers for the moto win. Brodsky was third, followed by Miller in fourth. Jones rounded out the top five.

Kemp's Racing-backed Honda rider Ryan Newkirk blasted to the second-moto holeshot but surrendered the lead to the aggressive Schueler before the close of the first lap. Conlon quickly moved into second, followed closely by Jones in third. Newkirk dropped to fourth. Needing the moto victory to score the overall win, Schueler maintained a steady four-second lead on Conlon. While Jones rode solidly in third, Brodsky went to work on Honda-mounted Michael Rothstein for fourth, eventually taking the position on the final lap. Schueler took the moto win and the overall, followed by Conlon. Jones was third, followed by Brodsky. Rothstein hung on to round out the top five.

Schueler later took the overall win in the Open A class with a perfect 1-1 score. Schueler's younger brother Chris, also YZ400F-mounted, kept his sibling honest by finishing in the runner-up position. Nate Updyke took his Honda to third overall, followed by District 7's defending Open A class champion, Brian Sullivan, on a big-bore Suzuki. Yamaha-mounted Chris Rhoten rounded out the top five overall.

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Joshua Fleming (Cob); 2. Garret Toth (Cob); 3. Jacob Grove (Cob), 4. Anthony Peregrin Jr. (Cob); 5. Brandon Siebold (Cob).

60 (7-9): 1. Tyson Clark (Kaw); 2. Zac Ely (KTM); 3. Brandon Weary (Kaw); 4. Nicholas McIlhee (Kaw), 5. Michael Neiterman (Kaw).

60 (0-11): 1. Chad Wages (Kaw); 2. Willy Toth Jr. (Kaw); 3. Colton Higdon (Kaw); 4. Travis Martin (Kaw).

80 (7-11): 1. Chad Wages (Suz); 2. Willy Toth Jr. (Suz); 3. Todd LaFollette (Kaw); 4. Curtis Baker (Suz); 5. Tyler Davis (Kaw).

80 (12-13): 1. Michael Foor (Hon); 2. Benjamin Bixler (Kaw); 3. Bradley Lowe (Kaw); 4. Steven Shifflett (Kaw); 5. Richard Dimler (Yam).

80 (14-15): 1. Derrick Forrester (Kaw); 2. Robert Irving (Hon); 3. Jason Tripp (Suz); 4. Tyler Graham (Kaw); 5. Jonathan Tripp (Yam).

S/MINI: 1. Derrick Forrester (Kaw); 2. Michael Foor (Hon); 3. Benjamin Bixler (Kaw); 4. Edwin Anderson (Kaw).

SCHBY: 1. Francis Jackson IV (Hon); 2. Eric Balawejder (Yam).

CLGBY: 1. David Carlisle (Yam); 2. Timothy Dabbs (Suz); 3. Egli Conway (Yam), 4. Craig Myers (Hon); 5. Steven Hare (Hon).

125 A: 1. Joseph Schueler (Yam); 2. Jason Conlon (Hon); 3. Kevin Brodsky Jr. (Yam); 4. Ryan Jones (Kaw); 5. Cecil Williams Jr. (Hon).

125 B: 1. Daniel Randolph (Kaw); 2. Brandon Sexton (Kaw); 3. Kevin Beach (Yam); 4. Robert Schueler Jr. (Hon); 5. Timothy Dabbs (Suz).

250 A: 1. Jason Conlon (Hon); 2. Kevin Brodsky Jr. (Yam); 3. Ryan Jones (Kaw); 4. Jeffrey Grove (Suz); 5. Tim Schmelyun (Kaw).

250 B: 1. Brandon Sexton (Kaw); 2. Egli Conway (Yam); 3. Ryan Brandenburg (Yam); 4. Daniel Rudolph (Kaw); 5. Joseph Trone (Kaw).

250 C D-1: 1. Lonnie Krout (Suz); 2. James McCullough (Hon); 3. Steve Lox (Hon); 4. Chad Gibson (Yam); 5. Jason Harris (Hon).

250 C D-2: 1. Jay Thuer (Hon); 2. Martin Kegel (Hon); 3. David Jordan (Suz); 4. Joe Ciurea (Hon); 5. Danny Smith (Kaw).

OPEN A: 1. Joseph Schueler (Yam); 2. Chris Schueler (Yam); 3. Nate Updyke (Hon); 4. Brian Sullivan (Suz); 5. Chris Rhoten (Yam).

OPEN B: 1. Shane Moyerman (Kaw); 2. Stacey Cape (Yam); 3. Curtis Rhoten (Yam); 4. Jeffrey Ciotti (Kaw); 5. Carl Cheek II (Yam).

VET B: 1. Stacey Cape (Yam); 2. Robert Dols (Suz); 3. Randy Mann (Yam); 4. Jeff Smith (Kaw); 5. Bert Schuties (Yam).

VET C: 1. Russell Sandlin (Yam); 2. Joseph Massicot Sr. (Kaw); 3. Robert Carbaugh (Yam); 4. David Thompson (Hon); 5. Japheth Lucas (Kaw).

SR: 1. Edward Childs (Yam); 2. Carter Mackiewicz (Yam); 3. Douglas Wentzell (Yam); 4. John Kirk (Hon); 5. William Speleos (Yam).

4-STRK: 1. Chris Schueler (Yam); 2. Chris Rhoten (Yam); 3. Michael Richards (Yam); 4. Mark Endre (Yam); 5. Joshua Shaffer (Yam).

Pastrana, Crine take Blue/Grey Motocross

By Jerry Athey

BUDDS CREEK, MD, MAY 2

Suzuki/Fox/FMF/Varner-backed Travis Pastrana and AMA National MX number 52, Kevin Crine, were the star attractions of the 30th annual Blue/Grey Motocross, hosted by the Baltimore County Trail Riders Association and held at Budds Creek MX Park. The race, which is hailed as "the oldest ongoing motocross race in the country," attracted more than 500 riders from Districts 7 and 13 and beyond, and also served as round three of the 1998 District 7 Motocross Series. Pastrana, making his much-anticipated jump into the Expert ranks, styled to the wins in the 125cc A and 250cc A classes, while Crine, aboard a brand-new - and box-stock - Freestate cycles/Wiseco/Pirelli/Atomic 22-backed Suzuki, took control of the Over 25 A and Unlimited A classes.

Pastrana blasted to the lead at the start of the first 250cc A moto, followed by Kawasaki-mounted Jeff Drury, Crine, Glenn Mayor and Jonathan Barber, the latter two both on Kawasakis. Crine made quick work of Drury, taking over the runner-up spot before the close of the first lap, while JT Motorsports/Pro Circuit-backed Suzuki rider Jeff Grove moved solidly into fourth. There followed a battle for fifth between Mayor and Yamaha-mounted Terry Kennedy, who took the spot before the end of the lap. Pastrana maintained a steady three-second margin on Crine until Crine fell in the back section and gave Pastrana a 10-second margin with just a few laps remaining. Just when the race appeared to be over, Pastrana gave the fans an unexpected treat when he waited for Crine at the top of the finish-line hill; the pair then rode the final laps in a single-file display of heel clickers and whips.

Pastrana took the win and Crine took second. Drury was impressive in third, followed by an equally impressive ride from the district's Vet A-class points leader, Grove, in fourth.

Pastrana repeated his impressive starting technique in the second moto, as the 18-rider field gave chase. Crine headed the rest of the field, followed by Kennedy, Barber and Drury. The fun and games from the first moto were over, as Pastrana and Crine battled intensely for the lead, though Pastrana once again pulled out to a steady three- to four-second margin over Crine, with Kennedy safe in third. In an effort to not lose sight of the leaders, the hard-charging Drury moved around Barber for fourth, leaving Barber to fight off the attack of Kemp's Racing-backed Honda rider Michael Rothstein for fifth. With the checkered flag in sight, Crine made a gutsy attempt to go under Pastrana, who railed the outside of the final turn for the win. Crine held on for second, followed by Kennedy, Drury and Rothstein.

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Anthony Jones (Cob); 2. Jacob Grove (Cob); 3. Ryan Peizer (KTM); 4. Brandon Siebold (Cob); 5. Russell Boswell Jr. (KTM).

50 (7-8): 1. Devon Pilkington (Cob); 2. Colton Bailey (Cob); 3. Bobby Buhr (Cob); 4. Mark Garvey (Cob); 5. Anthony Hall Jr. (Cob).

60 (7-9): 1. Sean Hackley Jr. (Kaw); 2. Devon Pilkington (Kaw); 3. William Duffy Jr. (KTM); 4. Justin Boston (Kaw); 5. A.J. Kuschatka (KTM).

60 (10-11): 1. Chad Wages (Kaw); 2. David Holt II (Kaw); 3.

Paul Kamsch (Kaw); 4. Travis Martin (Kaw); 5. Joshua Hines (Kaw).

80 (7-11): 1. Chad Wages (Kaw); 2. Curt Smart (Kaw); 3. Martin Page (Kaw); 4. Jeb Gaskill (Hon); 5. Sean Hackley Jr. (Kaw).

80 (12-13): 1. Nicholas Evennou (Kaw); 2. Eric Brown (Kaw); 3. Brad Smith (Kaw); 4. Nick Maringo (Kaw); 5. Christopher Smart (Kaw).

80 (14-15): 1. Derrick Forrester (Kaw); 2. Michael Purks (Suz); 3. Shane Sanft (Kaw); 4. Robert Irving (Hon); 5. Chris Power (Yam).

80 D: 1. Wesley Dixon (Kaw); 2. Paul Kamsch (Yam); 3. Christopher Snyder (Hon); 4. Steven Stella (Hon); 5. Eric McKay (Yam).

S/MINI: 1. Nicholas Evennou (Kaw); 2. Dereck Forrester (Kaw); 3. Paul Shumaker Jr. (Kaw); 4. Eric Brown (Kaw); 5. Wesley Dixon (Kaw).

SCHBY: 1. Chris Welsh (Yam); 2. Matthew Coyle (Suz); 3. Stephen Grimes (Yam); 4. Paul Hines (Hon); 5. Stephen Barnes (Yam).

125 A: 1. Travis Pastrana (Suz); Cecil Williams (Hon); 3. Jeff Drury (Kaw); 4. Ronnie Miller (Yam); 5. Edgar Davis Jr. (Yam).

125 B: 1. Daniel Rudolph (Kaw); 2. Mike Brown (Hon); 3. Rodney Horrocks (Yam); 4. Kevin Beach (Yam); 5. Jason Carroll (Yam).

125 C: 1. Matthew Coyle (Suz); 2. Wayne Hall III (Yam); 3. Christopher Rose (Yam); 4. Frank Flippo III (Yam); 5. Wayne Moody (Suz).

125 D: 1. Nick Lancello (Yam); 2. Ronald Cullenber Jr. (Hon); 3. Chuck Williams (Kaw); 4. Richard Henricks Jr. (Suz); 5. Jaime Zambrana (Kaw).

250 A: 1. Travis Pastrana (Suz); 2. Kevin Crine (Suz); 3. Jeff Drury (Kaw); 4. Terry Kennedy (Yam); 5. Michael Rothstein (Hon).

250 B: 1. Daniel Rudolph (Kaw); 2. Wayne Welsh III (Yam); 3. Jacob Creech (Yam); 4. Michael Washburn (Kaw); 5. Albert Gardner (Hon).

250 C: 1. Joseph Gardner (Hon); 2. Steve Cox (Hon); 3. Jason Harris (Suz); 4. Danny Smith (Kaw); 5. David Shelton (Yam).

250 D: 1. Phillip Urick (Yam); 2. John Kraft (Suz); 3. Gregory Henry (Yam); 4. Albert Ballard (Kaw); 5. Adrian Norris (Yam).

OPEN A: 1. Chris Schueler (Yam); 2. Ronnie Miller (Yam); 3. Brian Sullivan (Suz); 4. John Huston Jr. (Yam); 5. Carl Lewis Jr. (Hon).

OPEN B: 1. Corey Hormes (Hon); 2. Robert Reatherford (Kaw); 3. Jeffrey Ciotti (Kaw); 4. Frank Whigham (Kaw); 5. Robert Mellor (Yam).

U/L A: 1. Kevin Crine (Suz); 2. Ronnie Miller (Yam); 3. Cecil Williams (Hon); 4. Jarrett Rhoades (Hon); 5. Zachary Trunzo (Kaw).

U/L B: 1. Mike Brown (Hon); 2. Wayne Welsh III (Yam); 3. Rodney Horrocks (Yam); 4. Timothy Dabbs (Suz); 5. Kevin Beach (Yam).

U/L C: 1. Wayne Moody (Suz); 2. Ryan Walls (Kaw); 3. James Lewis (Kaw); 4. David Shelton (Yam); 5. Danny Smith (Kaw).

25+ A: 1. Kevin Crine (Suz); 2. Duane Bailey (Yam); 3. B. Ted Orr (Suz); 4. Brian Sullivan (Suz); 5. James Mottis (Yam).

25+ B: 1. Jim Janke (Kaw); 2. Ronnie McCallum (Hon); 3. Kevin Randolph (Kaw); 4. Harvey Holcombe (Kaw); 5. Bruce Maass Jr. (Kaw).

VET A: 1. B. Ted Orr (Suz); 2. Duane Bailey (Yam); 3. Scott Bland (Kaw); 4. Patrick McCormick (Suz); 5. Brian Miner (Hon).

VET B: 1. David Perrin (Yam); 2. Jeff Smith (Kaw); 3. Greg Voell (Hon); 4. David McAdams (Hon); 5. John Randolph (Yam).

VET C: 1. William Weston (Yam); 2. James Jarvis (Kaw); 3. Kevin Mesiah (Suz); 4. Japeth Lucas (Kaw); 5. Michael Foltz (Yam).

35+: 1. Scot Bland (Kaw); 2. David Sorter (Yam); 3. Carter Mackiewicz (Yam); 4. William Speleos (Yam); 5. Jim Hilty (Yam).

SR: 1. Carter Mackiewicz (Yam); 2. Douglas Wentzell (Yam); 3. William Speleos (Yam); 4. John Kirk (Hon); 5. Tim Titcomb (Kaw).

4-STRK: 1. Chris Schueler (Yam); 2. Robert Schueler Jr. (Yam); 3. John Huston Jr. (Yam); 4. David Sorter (Yam); 5. Douglas Wentzell (Yam).

VINT: 1. Paul Dziwanowski Sr. (Hon); 2. Tim Titcomb (CZ); 3. John Stackus (Mai); 4. Joseph Krok (Hon); 5. Tom Anania (Hon).

Doughty double winner in Lone Star Series

By Deb Hershman

GREENVILLE, TX, APR. 25

Round three of the Lone Star Series, hosted by Greenville MX Park, rolled into the record books as a huge success for both racers and park promoters. Although rain storms threatened, racers showed up - about 350 of them - and the park was packed to near capacity.

Shane Doughty rode a hard and clean race for his dual event wins. In the 125cc Open race, Yamaha-mounted Cody Rheinlander grabbed the holeshot and led the first two laps, hounded by Action Power Sports-backed Doughty and Elf/Answer/Central Yamaha/LCS-backed Scott Hershman. Both Doughty and Hershman worked their way around Rheinlander on lap three and pulled away from the pack. Hershman tailed Doughty on lap four and made his move through the whoops for the pass and went on to get the checkers in moto one, with Doughty right on his back tire.

In moto two, Dusty Fountain nailed the holeshot, with Rheinlander and Doughty right behind him. Grabbing some extra throttle, Doughty passed Fountain on lap one and Rheinlander on lap two. By lap three, Doughty, Rheinlander and Hershman were flying around the track like runaway roller coasters. Doughty opened a small lead on lap four and took it to the finish line. Rheinlander and Hershman fought for second, with Hershman moving past Rheinlander on the white-flag lap to net second. Dusty Fountain was fourth across the line, followed by Derek Kemp. Doughty earned the overall with a 2-1 score, ahead of Hershman's 1-2. Rheinlander placed third with his consistent 3-3 finishes, and Fountain's 6-4 was good enough for fourth. Danny Waldrop rounded out the top five with a 5-7.

Doughty also won the 125cc Intermediate class with 1-1-moto wins.

In the 50cc Open class, Chaz Holladay led the way over the rest of the gate of eight Cobra-mounted riders, taking both moto wins. Behind Holladay in moto one, Derik Barath and Jamison

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1 Hollister, Nathan
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60 Beginner 0-8
1 Osburn, Chad
2 Baker, Nicolas
3 Craigo, Ryan
4 Sazama, Michael
5 Duppong, Joshua

60 9-11 Beginner
1 Zarr, Kyle
2 Batey, Justin
3 Flores, Ethan
4 Campos, Tony
5 Cruse, Sherri

60 9-11 Int.
1 Hinson, Casey

60 0-8 Nov.
1 Pipes, Dustin

80 Beginner
1 Davis, Tyson
2 Conley, Chris
3 Pacheco, Ross
4 Soito, Les
5 Tucker, John

Big Wheel
1 Ortiz, Angel
2 Markert,Nick

80 Novice
1 Cates, Dougie
2 Woods, Justin
3 Hinson, Casey
4 Baptista, Robby
5 Pederson, Brison

125 Beginner
1 Blankenship, Darin
2 Chandlen, Trafton
3 Schneider, George
4 Dickerson, Mike
5 Matts, Shay

125 Novice
1 Verhougstraete, M
2 Cox, Aaron
3 Morris, Shawn
4 McCormack, Scooter
5 Philpott, Ryan

125 Intermediate
1 Sawdey, Sam
2 Archutowski, JR

125 Pro
1 Baron, Beau
2 Parks, Shawn

250 Beginner
1 Arrigoni, Tyler
2 Vogan, Clinton
3 Kopy, Steve
4 Matts, Shay
5 Blankenship, Steven

250 Novice
1 Sazama, Richard
2 Darnley, Frank
3 Bundy, Matt
4 Jared, Rodney
5 Wolf, Tony

250 Intermediate
1 Souza, Johnny
2 Barber, Danny
3 Fleming, Russ
4 Peyron, Craig

250 Pro
1 Baron, Beau
2 Parks, Shawn

25-29 Int.
1 Fleming, Russ
2 Barber, Danny

25 29 Beginner
1 Arrigoni, Tyler
2 Thalman, David

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1 Lopez, Mark
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5 Walden, Frank

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1 Krucki, Ken
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(Far left) Kevin Chapman won the overall in the 250cc Novice class at the AMP/GFI Spring Series MX in Tracy, California. (Left) Dusty Walters took runner-up honors in the 125cc Intermediate class at LACR MX.

Miller fought over second place in a closely run three-lap moto. Barath held the edge, but Miller slowly closed the gap as the laps ticked by, crossing the finish line a split second behind Barath. Following Miller were Luke Davie in fourth and Hunter Douglas in fifth.

Holladay repeated his holeshot and win in moto two, as Luke Davie jumped into the battle for second place with Miller. Barath had trouble on lap one and was not a contender in moto two. Davie and Miller worked hard to best each other, with Davie throttling hard to claim second place. The top five overall were Holladay, Davie, Miller, Barath and Douglas.

In the 50cc (7-8) event, Holladay also won the overall with 1-1 motos.

Results

50 (4-6): 1. Tyler Cummings (Cob); 2. Caleb Dowell (Cob); 3. Jonathan Tawney (KTM); 4. Reid Miller (Cob); 5. D.J. Catter (Yam).

50 (7-8): 1. Chaz Holladay(Cob); 2. Jamison Miller (Cob); 3. Derek Barath (Cob); 4. Luke Davie (Cob); 5. Trey Phillips (KTM).

50 OPEN: 1. Chaz Holladay (Cob); 2. Luke Davie (Cob); 3. Jamison Miller (Cob); 4. Derik Barath (Cob); 5. Hunter Douglas (Cob).

60 (7-9): 1. Michael Pritchett (Kaw); 2. Kyle Cunningham (Kaw); 3. Richard White (Kaw); 4. Chaz Holladay (Kaw); 5. Justin Dickey (Kaw).

60 (10-11): 1. Ronnie Jackson (Kaw); 2. Scotty Wennerstrom (Kaw); 3. Matthew Cornelia (Kaw); 4. Danny Atencio (Kaw); 5. Jay Teske (Kaw).

60 OPEN: 1. Ronny Jackson (Kaw); 2. Richard White (Kaw); 3. Chris Hammonds (Kaw); 4. Kyle Cunningham (Kaw); 5. Chaz Holladay (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Will Berry (Yam); 2. Casey Dowell (Kaw); 3. Trevor Dahms (Suz); 4. Casey Cooper (Kaw); 5. Charles Burkhart (Suz).

80 (7-11): 1. Ryan Hartley (Hon); 2. Scotty Wennerstrom (Suz); 3. Vince Monteleone (Kaw); 4. L.C. Horn (Kaw); 5. Tad Montgomery (Kaw).

80 (12-13): 1. Riley Kurosky (Kaw); 2. Cody Dickey (Kaw); 3. Greg Chapman (Kaw); 4. Sean Howard (Kaw); 5. Steven Sampley (Yam).

80 (14-16): 1. Erik Huedepohl (Kaw); 2. Nathaniel Benoit (Yam); 3. Brandon Hendricks (Kaw); 4. Brian Starnes (Hon); 5. Britt Davis (Kaw).

80 OPEN: 1. Riley Kurosky (Kaw); 2. Cody Dickey (Kaw); 3. Brian Starnes (Hon); 4. Greg Chapman (Kaw); 5. Erik Huedepohl (Kaw).

125 BEG: 1. Eric McPherson (Hon); 2. Zach Faulk (Yam); 3. Josh Honea (Yam); 4. Justin Vaught (Kaw); 5. Wesley Montgomery (Kaw).

125 NOV: 1. Cody Rheinlander (Yam); 2. Corey Romero (Kaw); 3. Dusty Fountain (Suz); 4. Danny Waldrop (Kaw); 5. Danny Jones (Yam).

125 INT: 1. Shane Doughty (Kaw); 2. McFly Sheel (Suz); 3. Scott Hershman (Yam); 4. Wesley Brown (Yam); 5. Derek Kemp (Hon).

125 OPEN AM: 1. Shane Doughty (Kaw); 2. Scott Hershman (Yam); 3. Cody Rheinlander (Yam); 4. Dusty Fountain (Suz); 5. Danny Waldrop (Kaw).

125 PRO: 1. Charley Bogard (Suz); 2. Brad Woolsey (Kaw); 3. Bryan Piccirelli (Hon); 4. Adam Carroll (Kaw).

250 BEG: 1. Bryan Knight (Hon); 2. Jordan Bates (Suz); 3. Chad Shaffer (Suz); 4. Earl Cegiclsk (Kaw); 5. Alan Dean (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Chance Miles (Kaw); 2. Randy Rector (Yam); 3. Brent Nalley (Yam); 4. Aaron Woodfield (Kaw); 5. Kevin Lovell (Yam).

250 INT: 1. McFly Sheel (Suz); 2. Chris Husack (Hon); 3. Chris Marek (Yam); 4. Matthew Fleetwood (Kaw); 5. Eric Reed (Yam).

250 OPEN AM: 1. Chris Husack (Hon); 2. Randy Rector (Yam); 3. Chris Marek (Yam); 4. Brian Storrie (Kaw); 5. David Hallmark (Yam).

250 PRO: 1. Charley Bogard (Suz); 2. Brad Woolsey (Kaw); 3. Jason Eckhoff (Hon); 4. Bryan Piccirelli (Hon); 5. Dennis Bonner (Kaw).

350-650 OPEN: 1. Brad Smith (KTM); 2. Ryan Whitting (Yam); 3. Dirk Williams (Yam); 4. David Lux (Yam); 5. Mark Hansche (Yam).

25+ NOV: 1. Michael Byrd (Hon); 2. Bill DeBaca (Yam); 3. Brent Nalley (Yam); 4. Junior Pirkle (Kaw); 5. Brodie Sohiz (Hon).

25+ INT: 1. Greg Lewis (Yam); 2. Dirk Williams (Yam); 3. Adam Cox (Kaw); 4. Eddie Craft (Kaw); 5. Franz Hyland (KTM).

25+ EX: 1. Dennis Bonner (Kaw); 2. Billy Morrison (Suz); 3. Brian Bacal (Yam); 4. Shawn Mardis (Yam).

30+ NOV: 1. Jeff Harris (Kaw); 2. Junior Pirkle (Kaw); 3. Robert Porter (Yam); 4. Lester Knight (Hon); 5. Marshall Turman (Kaw).

30+ INT: 1. Greg Lewis (Yam); 2. Adam Cox (Kaw); 3. Bruce Staples (Yam); 4. Danny Schaub (Hon); 5. Alad Burden (Kaw).

30+ EX: 1. Mark Rakestrow (Yam); 2. David Lee (Kaw).

35+: 1. Adam Cox (Kaw); 2. Ron Coste (Hon); 3. Darwin Huckabee (Hon); 4. Robert Porter (Yam); 5. Kelly Fleetwood (Kaw).

40+: 1. Darwin Huckabee (Hon); 2. Lester Knight (Hon); 3. Marshall Turman (Kaw); 4. Pete Watson (KTM); 5. Peyton Treadwell (Hon).

WMN: 1. Snookie Tinnerman (Kaw); 2. Wendy McDial (Kaw); 3. Sheri Stephens (Kaw); 4. Shelly Dixon (Kaw); 5. Jennifer Klaudinyi (Kaw).

Chapman cooks at AMP/GFI Spring Series Motocross

By Jim Enos
Photo by Joe Gonzalez

TRACY, CA, APR. 25

Yamaha pilot Kevin Chapman roosted the competition en route to an overall victory in the always-competitive 250cc Novice class at round three of the 1999 AMP/GFI Spring Series, presented by Axo/Yamaha/Yamaha of Modesto. The AMP crew treated more than 300 riders to a challenging Carnegie Raceway track, which included a new rocker section that incorporated a much-talked-about technical elevation change. The intriguing new section had some riders puzzled and forced many different riders to try a variety of styles, some of which worked well while others sent a few riders back to "Whoops 101."

Chapman had his timing down in moto one as he hit the sharp right-hander ahead of the pack. However, right behind Chapman, a rare father-and-son duo were right on his tail: Chris Loredo and his dad, Alan Loredo. The senior Loredo had his work cut out for him, as the "kids" tried to keep him honest. At the front, Chapman had the track figured out and he cut smooth, consistent laps that had the younger Loredo pushing hard in second. In fourth, Sean Drapinski found the big Yamaha thumper of Alan Loredo a tough obstacle to get around as he continued to hold off Jason Cameron. With everyone holding his ground, the checkers finally waved Chapman across with an impressive wire-to-wire victory, with Chris Loredo taking second, followed by Alan Loredo. Drapinski and Cameron rounded out the top five.

Moto two saw Chris Loredo power his Yamaha to the holeshot over Chapman, Alan Loredo and Drapinski. However, Chapman had no plans to get involved in a father/son battle and soon passed Chris Loredo for the lead, leaving him to battle with his dad. The senior Loredo did his best to pressure his son lap after lap, but the younger rider prevailed. Drapinski also passed Alan Loredo to secure third, while Cameron continued to hold fifth, ahead of Tony Jaime. Chapman won, with Chris Loredo in second. Drapinski followed in third, ahead of Alan Loredo, with Cameron once again rounding out the top five.

Results

Pee Wee Track

50 (4-6) STK PW/JR: 1. Landon Cohen (HM).

50 (4-6) STK: 1. Christian Standers (Cob); 2. Charlie Moore (KTM); 3. Dillon Padilla (KTM).

50 (7-8) STK: 1. Richard Rinauro (KTM); 2. Crystal Layton (KTM); 3. Zachary Fredrickson (Cob); 4. Jason Shipman (KTM); 5. Matt Hazel (Cob).

50 (7-8) MOD: 1. Nicholas Bacchini (Yam).

50 (0-8) F/T: 1. Trevor Howe (Cob); 2. Matt Castillo (Suz).

50 (0-8) OPEN: 1. Ty Keenom (Cob).

Main Track

50 (4-6) STK: 1. Ty Keenom (Cob); 2. C.J. Barham (Cob); 3. Charlie Moore (KTM); 4. Landon Cohen (HM).

50 (7-8) STK: 1. Christian Standers (Cob); 2. Zachary Fredrickson (Cob); 3. Logan Cohen (HM); 4. Dillon Padilla (KTM).

50 OPEN: 1. Brandon Nicholson (KTM); 2. Richard Rinauro (KTM); 3. Crystal Layton (KTM); 4. Dillon Perales (KTM).

60 F/T: 1. Justin Morgan (Kaw); 2. Nick Morello (Kaw).

60 BEG: 1. Brandon Reyna (Kaw); 2. Cody Jackson (Kaw), 3. Preston Mull (Kaw); 4. Luke Layton (Kaw); 5. Nolan Hunter (Kaw).

60 NOV: 1. Ryan Martin (Kaw); 2. Kurtis Batey (Kaw); 3. Tyler Freeman (Kaw), 4. Nathan Hollister (Kaw); 5. Marcus Bradshaw (Kaw).

60 INT 1. Dustin Enochs (KTM); 2. Greg Fouts (Kaw).

60 OPEN: 1. Kurtis Batey (Kaw); 2. Tyler Freeman (Kaw); 3. Ryan Martin (Kaw); 4. Nathan Hollister (Kaw); 5. Greg Fouts (Kaw).

80 F/T: 1. Marcus Bradshaw (Kaw); 2. Greg Lewis (Suz); 3. Jeremy Gallo (Kaw); 4. Andrew Ramelle (Hon); 5. Bryan Jannisse (Yam).

80 BEG: 1. Trevor Doniak (Suz); 2. Darryl Seville (Kaw); 3. Aaron Makinen (Suz); 4. Joe Shipman (Hon); 5. Jeremy Kneisley (Yam).

80 NOV: 1. Brett Markarian (Suz); 2. Rory Radovich (Hon); 3. Timmy Hazel (Yam); 4. Aaron Di'Ciano (Yam); 5. Justin Woods (Yam).

80 INT: 1. Eric McCrummen (Yam); 2. Cory McDaniel (Yam); 3. Vincent Blair (Hon).

80 S/MINI: 1. Eric McCrummen (Yam); 2. Cory McDaniels (Yam); 3. Brett Markarian (Suz); 4. Mandel Coulter (Yam); 5. Kyle Kent (Kaw).

125 BEG: 1. Jeremiah Gerber (Yam); 2. George Schneider (Yam); 3. Shay Matts (Hon), 4. Josh Long (Yam); 5. Dennis James (Yam).

125 NOV: 1. Matt McCrummen (Yam); 2. Adam Miller (Kaw); 3. Chris Loredo (Yam), 4. Robert Hann (Yam); 5. Greg Center (Yam).

125 INT: 1. Pete Kasten (Suz); 2. Ulysses Pollard (Suz); 3. Mike Newnham (Yam); 4. Dylan Vicha (Yam); 5. Tommy Jean (Yam).

125 PRO: 1. Tallon Vohland (Hon); 2. Carter Gurnee (Suz); 3. Daniel Blair (Yam), 4. Rich Stephens (Yam); 5. Jason Murrell (Yam).

250 BEG: 1. Shay Matts (Hon); 2. Alex Flores (Kaw); 3. John Guio (Yam); 4. Mark Bousquet (Kaw); 5. Wes Lee (Kaw).

250 NOV: 1. Kevin Chapman (Yam); 2. Chris Loredo (Yam), 3. Sean Drapinski (Hon); 4. Alan Loredo (Yam); 5. Jason Cameron (Yam).

250 INT: 1. Evan Laughridge (Suz); 2. Tommy Jean (Yam); 3. Ron DeJesus (Yam); 4. Dylan Vicha (Yam); 5. Mike Newnham (Yam).

250 PRO: 1. Tallon Vohland (Hon); 2. Dan Paladino (Yam).

25+ BEG: 1. Steve Remmen (Hon); 2. Ed Whitecotton (Suz); 3. Wayne Ward (Hon); 4. Robert Becvar (Yam); 5. John Epperson (Suz).

25+ NOV: 1. Steve Storie (Hon).

25+ INT: 1. Kurt Kuhn (Yam); 2. Don Mendenhall (Yam); 3. Richard Quinones (Suz).

30+ BEG: 1. Andrew Mynatt (Hon); 2. Anthony Munoz (Yam); 3. Greg Quinones (Hon); 4. Jeff Gallo (Yam); 5. Dean Lonskey (Yam).

30+ NOV: 1. Richard Fox (Yam); 2. Craig Ranells (Yam); 3. Tim Weberling (KTM); 4. Allen Blanco (Yam).

30+ INT: 1. Kurt Kuhn (Yam); 2. Steve Storie (Hon); 3. Shawn Fisher (Yam); 4. Don Mendenhall (Yam); 5. Richard Quinones (Suz).

30+ PRO: 1. Randy Pockrandt (Kaw); 2. Rob Forsberg (Suz); 3. Randy Alvarado (Yam).

35+ NOV: 1. Craig Ranells (Yam); 2. Ross Robertson (Yam); 3. Robert Morello (Yam); 4. Robert Woehrle (Hon); 5. Randy Lynch (Yam).

35+ INT: 1. Dave Montgomery (Yam); 2. Greg Plaatje (Kaw); 3. Joe Gonzalez (Yam); 4. Steven Storie (Hon); 5. Tim Alvarado (Yam).

40+ NOV: 1. Gary Remmen (Yam); 2. Steve Bacchini (Yam); 3. Gerald Johnson (Hon); 4. Kevin Wilkinson (Suz); 5. Sonny Grandaw (Yam).

40+ INT: 1. Craig Ranells (Yam); 2. Alan Loredo (Yam); 3. Joseph Gonzalez (Yam).

WMN: 1. Norma Jean Jean (Yam).

U/L BEG/NOV: 1. Adam Miller (Kaw) 2. Michael Carnes (Yam), 3. George Schneider (Yam); 4. Ed Whitecotton (Suz); 5. Robert Becvar (Yam).

U/L INT/EX: 1. Matt McCrummen (Yam); 2. Dylan Vicha (Yam); 3. Tommy Jean (Yam); 4. Pete Kasten (Suz).

OTHG BEG: 1. Ron Clawson (Kaw); 2. James Barnes (Suz).

OTHG BEG 38+: 1. Darrell Burr (Hon); 2. Jim Kubo (Yam); 3. Ron Clawson (Kaw).

OTHG NOV: 1. Robert Morrello (Yam); 2. Stan Slate (Yam); 3. Mark Mitzel (Hon); 4. David McCandless (Hon); 5. James Barnes (Suz).

OTHG INT: 1. George Pritchett (Kaw); 2. Pat LeForge (Suz); 3. Rick Barkowski (Kaw); 4. Allen Blanco (Yam); 5. Robert Woehrle (Hon).

OTHG EX: 1. Shawn Fisher (Yam); 2. Allen McGehee (Yam); 3. Steven Storie (Hon); 4. Alex Chellew (Yam).

OTHG PRO: 1. Randy Pockrandt (Kaw); 2. Rich Horne (Hon).

Nordci prevails at Perris

By Greg Robertson

PERRIS, CA, APR. 25

Riding under the direction of Stefan Elvin and his Swedish Motocross Academy, Anders Nordci came out on top of a three-way points tie to earn the 125cc Novice-class overall honors at round four of the GFI Racing/Goat Eyewear/Pro Circuit/Cryolabs/Fox/Axo-sponsored Spring Series, held at Perris Raceway.

North County Yamaha's Rod Hamby bolted into the early first-moto lead ahead of Ryan McGee, Nordci, Jon Davidson and the rest of the field. Nordci overtook McGee for second place, but it was short-lived, as he fell back to fourth, behind McGee and Richard Albach, a lap later. Hamby would continue on unscathed to lead every lap for the win. McGee came across in second, while Albach and Nordci traded third place back and forth, with Albach prevailing at the checkers.

While Danny Mohr could only muster a seventh-place finish in the first moto, he more than made up for it by going wire to wire on his YZ125 for the second-moto win. Nordci gated in second and was able to keep Albach at bay the entire distance to sew up the overall on a 4-2 tally. Albach's consistent 3-3 finishes got the better of Hamby, who could only manage a fifth in the second moto after a bad start. Mohr (7-1) and McGee (2-6) rounded out the top five.

Dusty Walters was quickest out of the gate to lead the rest of the 125cc Intermediates in the opening moto until, with just over a lap completed, a bobble dropped him to seventh. Sean Hamblin inherited the top spot, with Billy Laninovich keeping him honest up until lap 10 of the 14-lap race, when Laninovich developed problems and dropped out. Hamblin took the win by a comfortable margin over Walters, who fought his way back up into second place over Fredrik Berggren, Jake Elkins and Josh Cavanaugh.

Walters led the opening lap of round two over Hamblin. Try as he might, Walters couldn't hold off the Pro Circuit/Dunlop/N-Style/VP/PJ1-backed Hamblin, who took control by lap two and then slowly pulled away for the win. Walters easily took second over Berggren, with Elkins and Cavanaugh making it a Yamaha sweep of the top five positions.

The 250cc Intermediate class belonged to the RP Racing/Pro-Prept-sponsored Sean Thornton, who led every lap of both motos for a sweep of the class. Bullfrog Newcomer fell victim to a hard-charging Nick McBride to finish third in the first moto. Newcomer outran McBride during the second moto to collect the second-place trophy. Brandon Milstead's 4-4 beat the 6-5 of Niklas Granstrom for fourth overall.

There were numerous double class winners on the day, including Lem-mounted Marcus Carrillo, who split moto wins with Johnny Jelderda in the 50cc (7-8) Stock and 50cc Open classes. Bryce Terzian went four for four to ace both the 60cc Novice and Open classes on his KTM. Jake Hulett was runner-up in both classes.

IMS/ZLT/EVS/PJ1/O'Neal/FMF-backed Jeff Loop topped Allen Sundberg for the Big Wheel win and then held off Kevin Hunter, among others, to go 1-1 in the 80cc Novice class as well.

Bryan McGavran was the top money winner of the day. McGavran rode a pair of NCY/Fox/100%/VP/CTI-sponsored Yamahas to convincing wins in the 125 and 250cc Pro classes. Chad Walston held off the KTM of Mark Tilley for second in the 125cc contest, while Akira Narita topped Don Upton and Jose Polasek for second-place payback in the 250cc Pro field.

Results

50 STK (4-6): 1. David Brown (Cob).

50 STK (7-8): 1. Marcus Carrillo (Lem); 2. Johnny Jelderda (Lem); 3. Jonathan Horgan (KTM).

50 OPEN: 1. Marcus Carrillo (Lem); 2. Johnny Jelderda (Lem); 3. Justin Jeffers (KTM).

60 F/T: 1. Travis Humphrey (Hon).

60 BEG: 1. Richard Sterling (Kaw); 2. Tyler Sievers (Kaw); 3. Anthony Rundon (Kaw); 4. Jonathan Horgan (Kaw); 5. George Jeffers (Kaw).

60 NOV: 1. Bryce Terzian (KTM); 2. Jake Hulett (Kaw); 3. Jamie Lanza (KTM); 4. Shawn Hayes (KTM).

60 INT: 1. Brad Masters (Kaw).

60 OPEN: 1. Bryce Terzian (KTM); 2. Jake Hulett (Kaw); 3. Shawn Hayes (KTM).

80 BEG: 1. Matthew Kelly (Hon); 2. Michael Schieber (Hon); 3. Joshua Brown (Kaw); 4. Hollis Lusk (Kaw); 5. Kenny Laninovich (Yam).

80 NOV: 1. Jeff Loop (Yam); 2. Kevin Hunter (Yam); 3. Bruce Prochnavy (Hon); 4. Phillip Bruscella (Yam); 5. Richie Casiano (Yam).

80 INT: 1. Zac Wray (Yam).

80 OPEN/EX: 1. Nick Alvarez (Hon); 2. Micky Griffin (Yam).

S/MINI: 1. Micky Griffin (Yam); 2. Bobby Romero (Yam); 3. Weston Peick (Yam); 4. Kenny Laninovich (Yam).

B/W: 1. Jeff Loop (Yam); 2. Allen Sundberg (Hon).

125 BEG: 1. Matt Dymond (Yam); 2. Gavin Rome (Kaw); 3. Jarrod Jones (Hon); 4. Ted LaVelle (Hon); 5. Jeff McClure (Kaw).

125 NOV: 1. Anders Nordci (Yam); 2. Richard Albach (Yam); 3. Rod Hamby (Yam); 4. Danny Mohr (Yam); 5. Ryan McGee (Yam).

125 INT: 1. Sean Hamblin (Yam); 2. Dusty Walters (Yam); 3. Fredrik Berggren (Yam); 4. Jake Elkins (Yam); 5. Josh Cavanaugh (Yam).

125 PRO: 1. Bryan McGavran (Yam); 2. Chad Walston (Yam); 3. Mark Tilley (KTM); 4. Tim Roth (Yam); 5. Jason Fields (Kaw).

250 BEG: 1. Kris Bowers (Hon); 2. Matt Dymond (Hon); 3. Michael Hart (Hus); 4. Matt Hart (Kaw); 5. Daniel Vonan (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Billy Clifton (Kaw); 2. Jake Smith (Hon); 3. Alvino Garcia (Yam); 4. Manny Jubala (Yam); 5. Adam Quintard (Hon).

250 INT: 1. Sean Thornton (Yam); 2. Bullfrog Newcomer (Kaw); 3. Nick McBride (Yam); 4. Brandon Milstead (Suz); 5. Niklas Granstrom (Suz).

250 PRO: 1. Bryan McGavran (Yam); 2. Akira Narita (Hon); 3. Don Upton (Suz); 4. Jose Polasek (Hon); 5. Taka Atsuta (Suz).

25+ INT: 1. Revelle Harrison (KTM); 2. David Bagwell (Suz); 3. Craig McCall (Kaw); 4. Matt Wood (Yam); 5. Bret Milan (Yam).

Shawn Haberlock won the 60cc Advanced and 80cc Junior classes at the Willow Creek MX Park in Oregon.

30+ BEG: 1. Dennis Burns (Kaw); 2. Joe Aragon (Kaw); 3. Al Garcia (Suz); 4. Shelly Danylo (Suz).
30+ NOV: 1. Milton Mize (Kaw); 2. Tim Dunaway (Suz).
30+ INT: 1. David Bagwell (Suz); 2. Randy Danylo (Kaw); 3. Craig McCall (Kaw).
40+ NOV: 1. Greg Erickson (Kaw); 2. Robert Albach (Yam).

Haberlock rocks Madras MX

By Clay Light

MADRAS, OR, MAY 2
Diminutive speedster Shawn Haberlock, riding a Kawasaki KX60, hammered the competition in two classes at the fourth race in a series of 15 events at Willow Creek Motocross Park, picking up wins in the 60cc Advanced and 80cc Junior classes. He won both classes with 1-1 tallies.

Haberlock's first challenge - his toughest of the day - was in the 80cc Junior class. Despite the obvious displacement disadvantage, the 60cc-mounted Haberlock made short work of the first moto after taking the lead out of turn one and then leaving Yamaha-mounted Brock Chappelle and Chris Johnson to duke it out for second. The position ultimately went Chappelle's way, behind Haberlock, who was the only small-displacement rider to clear all of the course's obstacles.

Moto two was much the same. Haberlock took the lead from the get-go and was never challenged, although Chappelle did stay closer to the KX rider. Haberlock scored the overall win with a 1-1 tally to beat Chappelle (2-2) and Johnson (3-3), while Andy Holmes took a win in the combined Novice class, beating Suzuki rider C.J. Baxter and Jon McGillivray.

Haberlock's day of domination continued with his runaway performances in the 60cc class, in which he lapped the entire field with the exception of fellow Advanced rider Ben Anglen. Trailing the trio was Kawasaki rider Rhett Johnson, who pulled out a large lead on his fellow Novice-class contestants to post two runaway performances of his own for an overall win ahead of Clay Hopkins and Derrick May.

The Vet (Over 30) class was once again the fastest class of the day, led by Kawasaki rider Nev LaBorde.

In the Expert class, LaBorde, the lone Expert rider, got out front in both motos and never looked back in his 1-1 rampage over fellow KX rider Bill Kinney and Yamaha rider Dave Cheney. Cheney beat Kinney in a moto-one battle for the top spot in the Intermediate portion, but Kinney stormed back to hold off all of Cheney's challenges in moto two to lead Cheney and John Thayer to the finish. Jim Larsen took the Junior win over Mike Kilby and Corey Shepherd.

Results

P/W ADV: 1. Travis Quisenberry; 2. Noah Westerhuis; 3. Ki Olkowski.
P/W NOV: 1. Cory Evans; 2. Cameron McGillivray; 3. Dylan Etone.
60 ADV: 1. Shawn Haberlock; 2. Ben Anglen.
60 NOV: 1. Rhett Johnson; 2. Clay Hopkins; 3. Derrick May.
80 JR: 1. Shawn Haberlock; 2. Brock Chappelle; 3. Chris Johnson.
80 NOV: 1. Andy Holmes; 2. C.J. Baxter; 3. Jon McGillivray.
125 JR: 1. Gino Licitra; 2. Nikki Harris; 3. Mike Stenzel.
125 NOV: 1. Jeremy Wells; 2. Bryan Meierotto; 3. Tyrone Moschetti.
250 JR: 1. Allen Tompkins; 2. Justin Reiswig; 3. Jeremy Kendall.
250 NOV: 1. Cody Sprague; 2. Daniel Solso; 3. Laythen Young.
OPEN: 1. Nev LaBorde; 2. Phil Johnson; 3. Dave Byram.
VET EX: 1. Nev LaBorde.
VET INT: 1. Bill Kinney; 2. Dave Cheney; 3. John Thayer.
VET JR: 1. Jim Larsen; 2. Mike Kilby; 3. Corey Shepherd.
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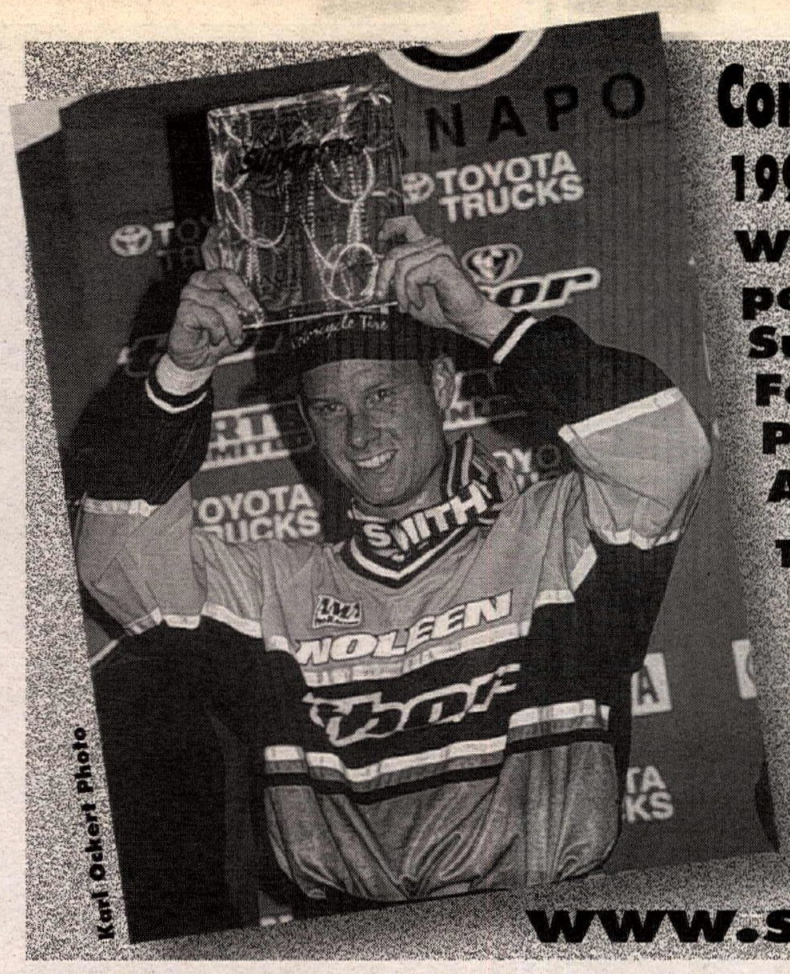

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(Above) Niklas Granstrom claimed the victory in the 250cc Intermediate class at Starwest Cycle Park.
(Left) Joe Bob Ebers was the Open Cash winner at Rio Grande Valley MX in Texas.
(Right) Sean Collier aced two classes at the SSC Castaic Brick Spring National, held at the Hungry Valley SVRA.

Imanishi a rising sun at MRA road race

By Kurt Von Ahnen

MEAD, CO, MAY 2

Tetsu Imanishi of Japan outrode the Heavyweight Super Sport pack on his Suzuki GSXR750 in the opening round of the Motorcycle Roadrace Association's series. The event is an eight-lap sprint race featuring motorcycles primarily in the 750cc range, based on production equipment.

At first, Dennie Burke pulled away from the crowd on his GSXR750. It appeared to be The Burke Show, as Dennie and Ryan Burke were in the front of the pack, with Brad McKiernan and Imanishi in tow. Then Imanishi began to pour it on, moving past McKiernan and making seemingly quick work of Ryan Burke. That left him following Dennie Burke for the latter half of the race. It seemed as though Dennie Burke's machine had the horses, as he would pull on the back straight, but Imanishi was wild on the brakes and would close it up hard in the corners. Finally, on the last lap in turn five, an uphill left-hander, Imanishi made his move and opened a gap to turn six. That led to the back straight again, and Dennie Burke began to close the gap toward the dreaded Dragon Slide. Imanishi held him off through the dangerous downhill right, left, and hard right onto the front straight. It was a dramatic finish, as they tucked in and pulled each other to the finish line. It had been rumored that Imanishi had not thrown a leg over a motorcycle throughout the whole off-season.

It should also be noted that Robert Christman, a recent Novice graduate, proved himself very capable this weekend. Riding a Honda CBR600F3, he was able to place sixth in this Heavyweight event as well as third in Middleweight Supersport, second in Middleweight Superbike, and fourth in Heavyweight Superbike.

The Race of the Rockies is always exciting, and this one proved even more so due to heavy traffic, as 33 entrants finished the event - and provided an obstacle course for the leaders as they lapped the field. In the beginning, Josh Graham, Dan Turner, Aaron Turner and Ricky Orlando were the top four. It was like watching replays from last season as the top four chased each other around the 1.7-mile circuit. Suddenly they came upon lapped traffic and the leaders traded places. Dan Turner fared the best, with Josh Graham falling back as far as fourth or fifth. Shane Turpin, on his new Yamaha R1, had pushed his way to second at one point, aggressively forcing his way through backmarkers. At the end, it was Dan Turner, followed by his brother Aaron. Josh Graham got back past Turpin to round out the podium, with Ricky Orlando taking fifth.

Results

NOV GTO: 1. Dave McLaughlin (Suz); 2. Ronald Curry (Suz); 3. Chad Raskin (Suz); 4. Michael Coulter (Yam); 5. Paul Suitor (Suz).

NOV GTU: 1. Michael Napier (Suz); 2. Jeffrey Bonifas (Hon); 3. Michael Coulter (Yam); 4. Ronald Curry (Suz); 5. Angus Crum (Yam).

AM GTO: 1. Marv Rosencrans (Kaw); 2. Jeffrey Bonifas (Hon); 3. Mark Nudelman (Hon); 4. Dave McLaughlin (Suz); 5. Mohammed Burki (Kaw).

AM GTU: 1. Bart McKiernan (Suz); 2. Jeffrey Bonifas (Hon); 3. Buck Blair (Kaw); 4. Michael Coulter (Yam); 5. Chris Clark (Suz).

MDRN VINT GTO: 1. Waldo Paul (Yam); 2. Karl Frakes (Hon); 3. Norman Lastovica; 4. Jay Sherritt (Yam); 5. Brad Dirnberger (Yam).

MDRN VINT GTU: 1. Mark Erickson (Kaw); 2. Michael Kludt (Yam); 3. John Fisher (Duc); 4. Dean Sillerud (Yam); 5. Alexander Whitese (Kaw).

M/W S/SPT: 1. Bobby Miosek (Hon); 2. Pedro Bravo (Yam); 3. Robert Christman (Hon); 4. Martin Sims (Yam); 5. Stephen Wands (Kaw).

H/W S/SPT: 1. Tetsu Imanishi (Suz); 2. Dennie Burke (Suz); 3. Ryan Burke (Suz); 4. Brad McKiernan (Suz); 5. Bobby Miosek (Hon).

OPEN S/SPT: 1. Shane Turpin (Yam); 2. Martin Sims (Yam); 3. George St. John (Suz); 4. Brad McKiernan (Suz); 5. Brian Lehfeldt (Suz).

L/W S/BK: 1. Craig Wright; 2. Michael Kludt (Yam); 3. John Fisher (Duc); 4. Donald Medina (Yam); 5. Alexander Whitese (Kaw).

M/W S/BK: 1. Bobby Miosek (Hon); 2. Robert Christman (Hon); 3. Martin Sims (Yam); 4. Pedro Bravo (Yam); 5. Gabriel Covarrubias (Suz).

H/W S/BK: 1. Dennie Burke (Suz); 2. Jon Glaefke (Suz); 3. Justin Savage (Suz); 4. Robert Christman (Hon); 5. Ryan Burke (Suz).

OPEN S/BK: 1. Shane Turpin (Yam); 2. Josh Graham (Yam); 3. Aaron Turner (Suz); 4. Dan Turner (Yam); 5. Ricky Orlando (Kaw).

S/TW GTO: 1. Shane Turpin (Duc); 2. Jon Glaefke (Suz); 3. Jim Brewer (Suz); 4. Jerry Anderson (Hon); 5. Jeffrey Olson (Suz).

S/TW GTU: 1. John Fisher (Bue); 2. Steve Midgley (Duc); 3. Alexander Whitese (Kaw); 4. Anthony Viera (Duc); 5. Bobby Botelho (Kaw).

F-2: 1. Tracy Schalow (Yam); 2. Waldo Paul; 3. Jurgen Wimbauer (Yam).

F-2 D-1: 1. John Hjelm (Hon); 2. Tracy A. Schram (Hon); 3. Tony Baker (Hon); 4. Ellen Fisher (Hon); 5. Dave Cook (Hon).

F-COLORADO: 1. Craig Wright; 2. Tracy A. Schram (Hon); 3. Mark Erickson (Kaw); 4. Tony Baker (Hon); 5. Waldo Paul.

RACE OF THE ROCKIES: 1. Dan Turner (Yam); 2. Aaron Turner (Suz); 3. Josh Graham (Yam); 4. Shane Turpin (Yam); 5. Ricky Orlando (Kaw).

Ebers big at Rio Grande Valley Motocross

By G.T. Ober

BROWNSVILLE, TX, APR. 25

Kawasaki-mounted Joe Bob Ebers of Corpus Christi was the dominant rider in the Rio Grande Valley MX Association's Open Cash division. Ebers pulled the holeshot in the first moto, followed by Team KAPLI/VP Fitel-backed Brian Monjaras, Phil Rimes, Mexico's own Christian Prida and Brownsville Honda Sports' Walter Bode.

Ebers proceeded to pull away, with Monjaras trying hard to keep pace. Rimes, Prida and Bode were staying busy chasing Monjaras into turn four. Ebers went on to win the moto, with Monjaras taking second and Prida third. They were followed by Rimes and Bode.

When the gate fell for moto two, Honda rider Bode came out on top with the holeshot, but Ebers quickly made his move and passed Bode going into the Water Tower turn and took the lead. This time it was Bode trying to keep up with Ebers, but once again Ebers pulled away from the rest of the field. Monjaras was soon on the move, as he and Bode banged bars in turn after turn, fighting for second.

Meanwhile, back in the pack, Prida and Rimes were starting to close in on Monjaras, but Monjaras made the pass on Bode and went on to take second place overall, going 2-2.

YZ pilot Prida put some moves on Bode, sending him back to fourth place, as Prida claimed the final spot. Rimes crashed on the third lap and finished fifth, going 4-5 for the day. Ebers went on the take the checkers, going 1-1.

Results

50 JR: 1. Charlie Crockett (Hon); 2. James Masso (Yam); 3. Dillon Bode (Yam); 4. Lauren Bode (Hon); 5. Brandon Peterson (Yam).

50 SR: 1. Bryan Masso (KTM); 2. Charlie Crockett (Hon); 3. Andy Crockett (Hon).

60: 1. William Masso (KTM); 2. Bryan Masso (Kaw); 3. Chris Vargas (Suz); 4. Frankie Garza (Hon).

80: 1. J.D. Vargas (Suz); 2. Richard Hearn (Suz).

OPEN BEG: 1. Nick Pupek (Hon); 2. Paul Peterson (Yam); 3. Chris Thomas (Hon); 4. Don Ausmus (Yam); 5. Joseph Smart (Hon).

125/250 NOV: 1. Daniel Morales (KTM); 2. Merle Bernhardt (Kaw); 3. Mike Heggie (Hon); 4. Mark Magouirk (Suz); 5. Joe Maley (Hon).

30+ NOV: 1. Mike Heggie (Hon); 2. Alan Obst (Yam); 3. Glen Rose (Yam); 4. Mark Magouirk (Suz); 5. Gary Ober (Hon).

30+ INT: 1. Phil Rimes (Yam); 2. Doc Ellis (Hon); 3. Bobby Dumas (Hon).

40+ VET: 1. Jake Warren (Kaw); 2. Steve Rees (Hus); 3. Ed Moody (Cag).

OPEN CASH: 1. Joe Bob Ebers (Kaw); 2. Bryan Monjaras (Yam); 3. Christian Prida (Yam); 4. Walter Bode (Hon); 5. Phil Rimes (Yam).

Kearney's hat trick

By Tony Alessi

MORENO VALLEY, CA, APR. 24

Team Malcolm Smith-backed Donnie Kearney took his flaming-orange KTM sport minis to three separate class wins during round two of the West Coast Motorsports-sponsored Spring Series at Starwest.

"We owe all of this to Kurt Henricksen," said Dr. Don Kearney. "He has been giving little Don riding lessons for the past few months, and it's starting to pay off big."

Kearney won five out of the six motos he entered en route to overall wins in the 65cc (6-8), 50cc Stock and Modified (7-8) classes.

The only moto Kearney didn't win was the first Modified race for 7- to 8-year-olds, when he took a trip over the handlebars after casing a big double jump.

Team Lem racer Johnny Jelderda picked up the lead and ran with it to the finish. Kearney was able to mount a successful comeback charge and recorded an impressive second at the finish line in front of World Mini champ Nic Paluzzi, who was learning to ride his new King Cobra.

Kearney returned to dominate the all-important second moto, while Jelderda came from outside the top five at the start to second at the finish.

Paluzzi was once again a very solid third, while Cody Tithof and Marcus Carrillo rounded out the top five.

Mountclair Yamaha-backed Ben Ramsaran was the top gun in the 80cc ranks, sweeping all four motos in both the Supermini and 80cc (14-16) classes.

A bad start in the second moto didn't slow Nate Collins in the 80cc (12-16) Beginner class. Collins took an effortless win in the first race, running away and hiding from the field. In the second moto, Collins had to work for it after he started outside the top 10. Collins picked off riders one by one until he caught race leader Mike Wetzel late in the moto.

Results

Small Track

50 STK STRTR (4-6) D-1: 1. Marco Aguilar (KTM); 2. Bryan Briley (KTM); 3. Shaun Fremontia (Lem); 4. Christian Crumpos (KTM); 5. Jonathan Heers (Yam).

50 STK STRTR (4-6) D-2: 1. Jesse Scialfa; 2. Cody Jones (Lem); 3. Hailey Gaumer (Cob); 4. Mason Mill (Yam).

50 STK STRTR (7-8): 1. Jacob Rangez (Lem); 2. Jaysen Arnold (Yam); 3. Trevor Hermann (KTM); 4. Tyler Heers (Yam); 5. Michael Ellington (KTM).

50 STK BEG (4-6): 1. Christian Licciardi (Cob); 2. Zachary Pillow (KTM); 3. Dallas Leedom (KTM); 4. Zakariah Chase (Cob); 5. Tyler Griffin (KTM).

50 MOD BEG (4-6): 1. James Bubba (KTM); 2. Zachary Pillow (KTM); 3. Patrick Pico (Cob); 4. Zakariah Chase (Cob); 5. Dallas Leedom (KTM).

50 STK BEG (7-8): 1. Brandon Purras (Lem); 2. Jake Mendenhall (KTM); 3. Quad Chase (KTM); 4. Kieffer Silva (KTM).

50 MOD BEG (7-8): 1. David Falcon (KTM); 2. Art Moreno (KTM); 3. Robert Gutierrez (KTM); 4. Jordan Berg (Lem); 5. Quad Chase (KTM).

50 SHFT: 1. Nicholas Garza (Yam); 2. Tyler Heers (Yam); 3. Mason Hill (Yam); 4. Alex Zwingham (Yam); 5. Bradley Beier (Yam).

50 STK B (0-8): 1. Max Ladieu (Cob); 2. Kevin Thompson; 3. Joshua Noble (KTM); 4. Brandon Brady (KTM).

S/P/W: 1. Jordan Berg (Lem).

Main Track

50 STK: 1. Donnie Kearney (KTM); 2. Nic Paluzzi (Cob); 3. Max Ladieu (Cob); 4. Cody Tithof (Cob).

50 MOD: 1. Johnny Jelderda (Lem); 2. Marcus Carrillo (Lem); 3. Dakota Garner (Cob).

50 (4-6): 1. Dakota Garner (Cob); 2. Justin Jeffers (KTM).

50 (7-8): 1. Donnie Kearney (KTM); 2. Johnny Jelderda (Lem); 3. Nic Paluzzi (Cob); 4. Cody Tithof (Cob); 5. Marcus Carrillo (Lem).

60 STRTR (6-9); 1. Dana Dreier (Kaw); 2. Andrew Serrano (Kaw); 3. Cory Costa (Kaw); 4. Curtis McLellan (Kaw); 5. Channing Ratkowski (Kaw).

60 (6-8): 1. Donnie Kearney (KTM); 2. George Jeffers (Kaw); 3. Tyler Sievers (Kaw); 4. Jonathan Horgan (Kaw); 5. Nic Paluzzi (Kaw).

60 (9-11): 1. Mike Alessi (Kaw); 2. Shawn Hayes (KTM); 3. Bryce Terzian (KTM).

80 BEG (0-11): 1. Clay Higgins (Kaw); 2. Shawn Mohr (Yam); 3. Shawn Hayes (Yam); 4. Blake Dalen (Suz); 5. Kasey Morris (Kaw).

80 (0-11): 1. Jarrod Browne (Yam); 2. Randall Hall (Kaw); 3. Brandon Spencer (Kaw); 4. Weston Peick (Yam); 5. Justin Mulford (Kaw).

80 BEG (12-16): 1. Nathan Collins (Kaw); 2. Mike Wetzel (Yam); 3. Lance Gatan (Hon); 4. Jonathan Bruens (Yam); 5. Tyler Bailey (Suz).

80 (12-13): 1. Kelly Tedder (Yam); 2. Daniel Taft (Kaw); 3. Robbie Gatan (Yam); 4. Erik Fauscette (Yam); 5. Carlos Gonzalez (Kaw).

80 (14-16): 1. Ben Ramsaran (Yam); 2. Tyson Burmeister (Yam); 3. Richie Casiano (Yam); 4. Collin Silva (Yam).

S/MINI: 1. Ben Ramsaran (Yam); 2. Tyson Burmeister (Yam); 3. Marco Giacomelli (Hon); 4. Kelly Tedder (Yam); 5. Justin Mulford (Kaw).

125 BEG: 1. Randy Webb (Suz); 2. Ryan Bromage (Yam); 3. Bill Anderson (Yam); 4. Kit Kunath (Yam); 5. Braden Larson (Suz).

125 NOV: 1. Chad Gaumer (Hon); 2. Blake Bukamier (Yam); 3. David Sullins (Yam); 4. Billy Arnone (Yam); 5. Nicholas Hensley (Yam).

125 INT: 1. Brandon Milstead (Suz); 2. Jason Ciarletta (Yam); 3. Steven Eugenio (Yam); 4. Randy Clark (Kaw); 5. Derrick McClintock (Kaw).

250 BEG: 1. Cameron Berry (Hon); 2. Chuck Sisler (Kaw); 3. Garrett Matthews (Hon); 4. Doug Covey (Hon); 5. Jim Linin (Hon).

250 NOV: 1. Adam Owsley (Kaw); 2. Jeremy Van Ryn (Kaw); 3. Patrick Terry (Yam); 4. Josh Blackburn (Yam); 5. Ernst Krueger (Kaw).

250 INT: 1. Nicklas Granstrom (Suz); 2. Bomber Hernandez (Hon); 3. Brandon Milstead (Suz).

25+ BEG: 1. Joe Williamsen (Kaw); 2. Steve Sinohui (Yam); 3. Dion Barboza (Yam); 4. Mike Von Kostku (Hon); 5. Michael Scimia (Yam).

30+ BEG: 1. John Lombardo (Hon); 2. Paul Kinsella (Yam); 3. Dave Anderson (Yam); 4. Andrew Keplan (Suz).

40+ INT: 1. Duane Benner (Kaw); 2. Jerry Hensley (Yam); 3. Ty Larson (Hon).

Smith hammers at Gorman Motocross

By Tony Alessi

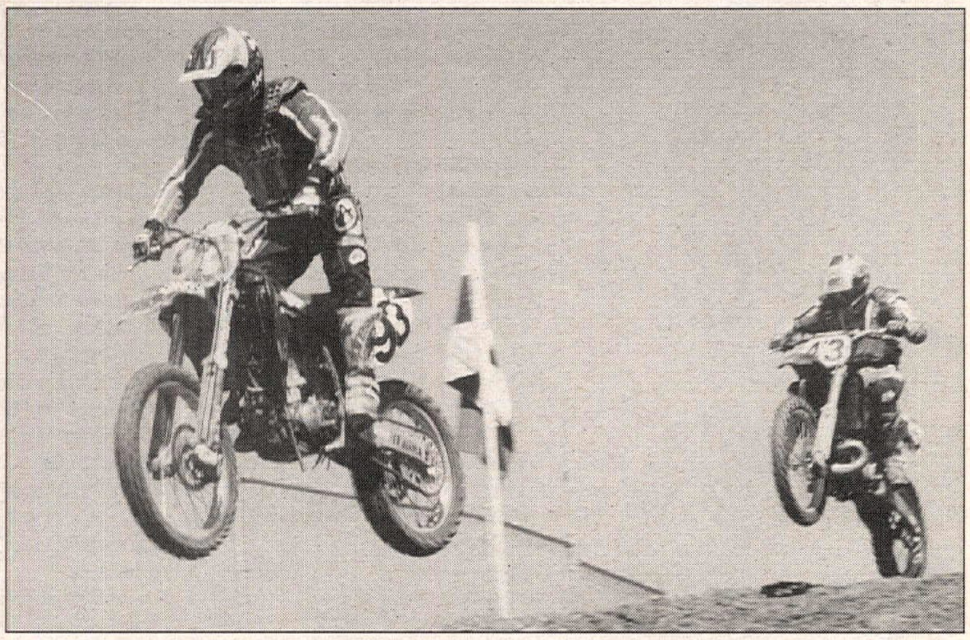
GORMAN, CA, APR. 25

For the second straight week, 8-year-old Kyle Smith scored the overall victory in the Pee Wee (7-8) class during the SSC Castaic Brick Spring National, held at the Hungry Valley SVRA.

Smith's day started out on a positive note, as he pulled the holeshot in the first combined Pee Wee moto.

"I kept the throttle on coming out of the gate," he said. "Then I kept the gas on all the way to the first turn."

Team Thousand Oaks-backed Hayden Commans was on the gas, too, and before the com-



(Left) Randy Webb (745) topped the 125cc Beginner class at Starwest Cycle Park. (Right) Russ Pickett (93) and David Hobson (43) battled for Over 30 B honors at the fifth round of the U.S. Eastern Spring Motocross Series, held at Lake Sugar Tree. Hobson edged out Pickett for the overall by winning the second moto.

pletion of the first lap, he had caught and passed Smith for the lead. Not one to give up, Smith struck back and chased Commans for the whole race and eventually took back the lead.

"Hayden got sideways coming up the inside of a muddy hill and slid out," Smith said.

From that point on, it was clear sailing for Smith, who powered away to the victory aboard his Curnutt Shock-backed KTM 50.

The second moto saw Smith pull a repeat holeshot, with Commans and a hard-charging Chris Ploufe in tow.

Ploufe was on the move, and he made a couple of quick passes but he, too, would be a victim of the same slippery uphill that claimed Commans in moto one.

Smith emerged in the lead by the completion of lap one, with Commans in hot pursuit.

The two Micro Mini racers fought it out for the remainder of the moto, with Commans coming out on top of the battle.

In the end, the war went to Smith, whose more consistent finishes placed him on the top spot of the podium and made him the recipient of the biggest plaque and tons of toys.

"My favorite prize was the Army truck and the toy YZ400," he said.

Former Mini rider Jared Williams had a nearly flawless day in the 125cc Novice class. He swept both motos of competition on his Pit Pro-backed YZ125, while Jimmy Eberle was good for second place in front of Simon Temmermann, T.J. Berario, Sergio Ponce De Leon and former Pee Wee champ Johner Faulkner.

Results

50 STK (4-6): 1. Geoffrey Lockley (KTM); 2. Blake Uniack (Kaw); 3. Colton Sanders (KTM); 4. David Haarsma (KTM); 5. Zack Wiley (Lem).

50 STK (7-8): 1. Hayden Commans (Yam); 2. Jim Hill (KTM); 3. Dillion Alexander (KTM); 4. David Hill (Cob).

50 MOD (4-6): 1. Chris Plouffe (KTM).

50 MOD: 1. Kyle Smith (KTM).

65 BEG (0-11): 1. Andy Delarge (Kaw); 2. Hayden Commans (Yam); 3. Michael Pop (KTM); 4. Kyle Smith (KTM); 5. Chase Kilfoyle (Kaw).

65 (6-8): 1. Trent Pugmire (Kaw).

65 (9-11): 1. David Medina (Kaw).

80 BEG: 1. Justin Hilliger (Yam); 2. Ryan Slina (Hon); 3. Justin Stumbo (Hon); 4. Kasey Morris (Kaw); 5. Tyson Davis (Kaw).

80 NOV (7-11): 1. Robert Memoli (Yam); 2. Kevin Wageman (Kaw).

80 NOV (12-16): 1. Garrett Eberle (Yam); 2. Brett Mountain (Yam); 3. Brett Rothas (Kaw); 4. Kyle Foltz (Kaw); 5. Dustin Biaggini (Kaw).

80 INT: 1. Sean Collier (Kaw).

S/MINI: 1. Sean Collier (Kaw); 2. Robert Memoli (Yam); 3. Matt Gomez (Suz); 4. Garrett Eberle (Yam); 5. Brett Rothas (Kaw).

125 BEG: 1. Robert Skinner (Yam); 2. Matt Alba (Suz); 3. Mark Houk (Hon); 4. Ryan McConnell (Hon); 5. Wyatt Vandergeest (Yam).

125 NOV C: 1. Jared Williams (Yam); 2. Jimmy Eberle (Yam); 3. Simon Temmermann (Suz); 4. T.J. Berario (Yam); 5. Sergio Ponce De Leon (Yam).

125 INT B: 1. Jason Wood (Suz); 2. Richard Sazama (Yam); 3. Sam Sawdey (Yam); 4. Chris Elliott (Yam); 5. Brian Hulsey (Yam).

125 EX: 1. Andreu Labrador (Yam); 2. Matt Bateman (Suz).

250 BEG: 1. Mitch Geroy (Hon); 2. Glenn Arduini (Yam); 3. Steve Blakenship (Yam); 4. Adam Neuwirth (Yam); 5. Ryan McConnell (Hon).

250 NOV C: 1. Vincent Baioni (Suz); 2. Darren Staffer (Hon); 3. Mike Licitra (Suz); 4. Jimmy Eberle (Yam); 5. Jared Williams (Yam).

250 INT B: 1. Jason Wood (Suz); 2. Jon Zahrt (Suz); 3. Dieter Timmerman (Suz); 4. Warren Tittlemier (Kaw); 5. Glenn Commans (Yam).

250 EX: 1. Frankie Mecono (Suz); 2. Shane Trittlew (Yam); 3. Andreu Labrador (Yam); 4. Matt Bateman (Suz); 5. Jon Nelson (Yam).

25+ BEG: 1. Kevin Aschenbach (Kaw); 2. Kevin Hildebrand (Yam); 3. Rob Woods (Yam); 4. Rocky DiMarco (Yam).

25+ NOV: 1. Jason Larson (Suz); 2. Jason Carpenter (Yam); 3. Jeff Cadmus (Yam); 4. Eric Burst (Yam); 5. Jamison Bruch (Hon).

25+ INT: 1. Luis Vasquez (Kaw); 2. Scott McCollugh (Yam); 3. Phil Stumbo (Yam).

30+ BEG: 1. Glenn Arduini (Yam); 2. Cary McConnell (Kaw); 3. Roger Neil (Hon); 4. Tim Wiedmann (Suz); 5. Angel Rodriguez (Kaw).

30+ NOV: 1. Manuel Campo (Suz); 2. Randy Commans (Yam); 3. Brett Sauve (Hon); 4. Steve Corders (Suz); 5. Martin Markle (Hon).

30+ INT: 1. Glenn Commans (Yam); 2. Ed Guahardo (Suz); 3. Darren Staffer (Hon); 4. Vincent Baioni (Suz); 5. Mike Licitra (Suz).

30+ EX: 1. Jon Nelson (Yam); 2. Jon Zahrt (Suz); 3. Kenny Zahrt (Suz); 4. David Zahrt (Suz); 5. Joe Root (Suz).

40+ BEG: 1. Ed Hatcher (Hon); 2. Kevin Petersen (Suz).

40+ NOV: 1. Bob Gunn (Yam); 2. John Caper (Hon); 3. Randy Commans (Yam); 4. Larry Williams (Suz).

40+ INT: 1. Randall Tittlemier (Hon); 2. Alan Delarge (Hon).

40+ EX: 1. Kenny Zahrt (Suz); 2. David Zahrt (Suz); 3. Alan Delarge (Hon); 4. Jeff Harriott (Yam); 5. Leonard Liston (Yam).

OTMX AM: 1. Neil Melillo (Yam); 2. Steve Davison (Hon); 3. Charles Howell (Yam); 4. Jeff Hawthorn (Suz); 5. Keith Chadwick (Hon).

OTMX NOV: 1. Dave Rutledge (Hon); 2. Bruce Hoover (Kaw); 3. Steve Pobjoy (Kaw); 4. Vance Johnson (Yam); 5. Hal Grady (Kaw).

OTMX EX: 1. Larry Williams (Suz); 2. Herbert Allen (Kaw); 3. Tim Trella (Yam); 4. Scott McDonall (Hon); 5. Steve Day (Yam).

OTMX MSTR: 1. Leonard Liston (Yam); 2. Randy Shwallenberg (Yam); 3. Brad Anderson (Kaw).

Collins keeps rolling at Starwest Motocross

Tony Alessi

MORENO VALLEY, CA, MAY 1

Nate Collins kept his winning streak rolling by posting his third straight win in the 80cc Beginner (12-13) class at the West Coast Motor Sports-sponsored Spring Series at Starwest Cycle Park.

Collins' night started out a bit on the rocky side after he pulled the holeshot in the first 80cc Beginner (12-16) moto aboard his Chaparral-backed Kawasaki and then promptly crashed a few turns later.

Collins remounted well outside the top five, but he charged back.

While Collins was busy working his way through the pack, Nathan Salgado was having an awesome ride up front, while Kenneth Brewer and Jonathan Bruens were having a good race for second.

Halfway into the moto, Collins emerged inside the top five and made some quick and decisive passes en route to second place, but that's as far as he would get, since Salgado was just an arm's length out of reach.

The second moto saw Collins pull the holeshot and flat out leave the field behind with nothing less then a hands-down runaway victory.

Salgado put in a solid ride for second place, while Kenneth Brewer, Jonathan Bruens and Tyler Bailey rounded out the top five.

Chad Gaumer was the top 125cc Novice racer, providing some of the evening's closest racing action.

Danny Mohr led most of the first 125cc Novice moto aboard his IMS/Fox-backed Yamaha, while Chad Gaumer and David Sullins stayed close to the point position for most of the race. Mohr led up until the final lap, but he made a small bobble that would cost him the lead. Gaumer took off and pinned his Mid Cities-backed Honda CR125 all the way to the finish for the moto win, followed by Mohr and David Sullins.

The second moto saw Sullins out front and on the gas. First-moto winner Gaumer gated midpack, while Mohr took a soil sample and dropped out of contention.

In the end, Sullins sailed away for an easy win, while Gaumer charged up to capture second place in front of Chris Thunstrom, Brandon Morgan and Nicholas Hensley.

Results

Small Track

50 STK STRTR (4-6): 1. Marco Aguilar (KTM); 2. Cody Jones (Lem); 3. Mason Mill (KTM); 4. Jesse Sciarta (KTM); 5. Nicholas Garza (Yam).

50 STK STRTR (7-8): 1. Nicholas Bayerle (Cob); 2. Trevor Henmann (KTM); 3. R.J. Goch (KTM); 4. Mitchell Ellington (KTM).

50 STK B: 1. Mark Ladieu (Cob); 2. Kevin Thompson (KTM); 3. Brandon Brady.

50 STK BEG (4-6): 1. Patrick Pico (Cob); 2. Dallas Leedom (KTM).

50 STK BEG (7-8): 1. Kieffer Silia (KTM); 2. Jake Mendenhall (KTM); 3. Joey Blair (KTM); 4. Dillion Nelson (KTM); 5. Quad Chase (KTM).

50 MOD BEG (4-6): 1. Zakariah Chase (Cob); 2. Dallas Leedom (KTM); 3. Zachary Pillow (KTM) 4. Patrick Pico (Cob).

50 MOD BEG (7-8): 1. Jordan Berg (Lem); 2. Quad Chase (KTM); 3. Robert Gutierrez (KTM); 4. Art Moreno (KTM); 5. Chad Smith (KTM).

JR 50 P/W (4-6): 1. Nicholas Garza (Yam); 2. Mason Mill (Yam); 3. Alex Zwingmann (Yam).

JR 50 P/W (0-8): 1. Nathan Loagner (Yam).

S/P/W: 1. Robert Gutierrez (KTM); 2. Jordan Berg (Lem); 3. A.A. Moreno (KTM).

Main Track

50 (4-6): 1. Dakota Garner (Cob).

50 (7-8): 1. Johnny Jelderda (Lem); 2. Danny Gonzalez (Cob); 3. Cody Tithof (Cob); 4. Marcus Carrillo (Lem).

50 STK: 1. Cody Tithof (Cob).

50 MOD: 1. Johnny Jelderda (Lem); 2. Dakota Garner (Cob).

50 S/P/W: 1. Max Ladieu (Cob); 2. Marcus Carrillo (Lem).

60 STRTR: 1. Channins Ratkowski (Kaw); 2. Derek Fero (Kaw); 3. Jeremy Sincox (Kaw); 4. Megan Godge (Kaw); 5. Anthony Robles (Kaw).

60 (6-8): 1. Danny Gonzalez (Kaw); 2. Casey Huntley (Kaw); 3. Tyler Sievers (Kaw); 4. Jonathan Horgan (Kaw); 5. Terren O'Dell (Kaw).

60 (9-11): 1. Anthony Munoz (KTM).

80 BEG (0-11): 1. Shawn Mohr (Yam); 2. Zachary Cruz (Suz); 3. Kameron Silva (Hon); 4. Casey Huntley (Kaw); 5. Kasey Morris (Kaw).

80 (0-11): 1. Brandon Spencer (Kaw).

80 BEG (12-16): 1. Nathan Collins (Kaw); 2. Nathan Salgado (Yam); 3. Kenneth Brewer (Yam); 4. Jonathan Bruens (Yam); 5. Tyler Bailey (Suz).

80 (12-13): 1. Erik Fauscette (Yam); 2. Carlos Gonzalez (Kaw); 3. Brett Rothas (Kaw); 4. Kyle Foltz (Kaw); 5. Jimmy Gonzalez (Yam).

80 (14-16): 1. Richie Casiano (Yam); 2. Collin Silva (Yam); 3. Timothy Berger (Yam).

S/MINI: 1. Mike Alessi (Kaw); 2. Ben Ramsaran (Yam); 3. Marco Giacomelli (Hon); 4. Brandon Spencer (Kaw); 5. Zachary Cruz (Suz).

125 BEG: 1. Randy Webb; 2. Candace English (Hon); 3. Jeff McClure (Kaw); 4. Joshua Borden (Yam); 5. Jason Fox (Yam).

125 NOV: 1. Chad Gaumer (Hon); 2. David Sullins; 3. Chris Thunstrom (Hon); 4. Danny Mohr (Yam); 5. Brandon Morgan (Suz).

125 INT: 1. Jason Ciarletta (Yam); 2. Brandon Schlensig (Yam).

250 BEG: 1. Chuck Sisler (Kaw); 2. Eric Reasner (Kaw); 3. Darren Van Ryn (Kaw); 4. Jason Bevans (Hon).

250 NOV: 1. Patrick Terry (Yam); 2. Jeremy Van Ryn (Kaw); 3. Manny Jubala (Yam); 4. Greg Shaplin (Yam); 5. Richard Newton (Yam).

250 INT: 1. Todd Campbell (Yam); 2. Warren Tittlemier (Kaw); 3. Lance Garza (Yam).

VET COMB: 1. Duane Benner (Kaw); 2. Cameron Funk (Yam); 3. Jerry Hensley (Yam); 4. Dion Barboza (Yam); 5. Paul Kinsella (Yam).

Powers super at Sugar Tree Motocross

By Jay Hauser

AXTON, VA, APR. 25

Honda rider Travis Powers had a stellar day at Lake Sugar Tree Motocross, besting two classes for overall wins. The opening event of the Lake Sugar Tree racing season - the fifth round of the U.S. Eastern Spring Motocross Series - saw Powers put the power to the ground, winning both motos of the Schoolboy class and then backing it up in 125cc B action by winning the first moto and riding to second in moto two to claim the overall.

The Schoolboy division turned out to be Powers' most convincing win, as he went virtually untouched in either moto, stretching out strong leads over James Barnes and Brandon Watson by the time the checkers fell. The 125cc B class, on the other hand, had Powers working for his keep as he faced some stiff competition from Raleigh Deel and Kawasaki-mounted Josh Fulton. Powers got in the first blow by barely edging out Suzuki-mounted Deel for the first-moto win, while Lane McKee and Suzuki of Winston-Salem-backed Chad Black sent Fulton all the way back to fifth.

When the gate hit the ground for moto two, Fulton was ready to rumble, and he grabbed the holeshot. Powers was slow off the gate and had to play catch-up to the front-runners early on, but he was soon knocking on Fulton's door.

Once Powers was close, Fulton reached down deep and turned up the wick. Solid and strong like a steamboat, Fulton handed Powers his only moto loss on the day, but it did not keep Powers off the top step of the podium. Deel worked through with a third in moto two, which put him in second, while Fulton made the top three, over Black and McKee.

The best racing of the day came in the Over 30 B class. Russ Pickett came out swinging and carried the point in the first moto from the drop of the gate to the checkers. However, Pickett could never shake David Hobson from his tail.

In moto two, Hobson returned the favor by taking control of the holeshot and leading the field at the start. After two tough motos, it was Hobson's day, as he held on to the second-moto lead to take the win and the overall, sending Pickett back to the pits. The rest of the field traded positions and moto finishes throughout the day, with Ron Horne taking third with scores of 4-5 over Van Cran's tally of 6-4. John Morrissey made up for a disappointing ninth in moto one to come back with a third-place ride the second time out to make it into the top five for the day. **CN**

Results

50 SHFT: 1. Misty Stanton (Hon).

50 (4 -6): 1. Ryan Zimmer (Cob); 2. Chris Sturp (KTM).

50 (7-8): 1. Bobby Buhr (Cob); 2. Alex Hindle (Cob); 3. Ryan Smith (KTM); 4. Kyle Fitzwater (Cob); 5. Travis Poole (Cob).

60 (7-9): 1. Devon Pilkington (Kaw); 2. Brad Haar (Kaw); 3. Bobby Buhr (Kaw); 4. Samantha Farr (KTM); 5. Casey Taylor (Kaw).

60 (10-11): 1. Ryan Fitzwater (Kaw); 2. David Mitchell (Kaw); 3. Wess Goins (Kaw); 4. James Clamp (Kaw); 5. Earl Sari (Kaw).

80 (7-11): 1. Devon Pilkington (Kaw); 2. Robert Crunley (Suz); 3. Casey Taylor (Suz); 4. Tyler Brewer (Kaw); 5. Lucas Bauer (Kaw).

80 (12-13): 1. Stephen Martin (Yam); 2. Randy Newkirk (Kaw); 3. Sam Fitzwater (Kaw); 4. Chad Aughinbaugh (Hon); 5. Chase Davidson (Yam).

80 (14-15): 1. Matthew Boyer (Suz); 2. Phillip Williams (Kaw); 3. Brandon Engle (Suz); 4. Lucas Walker (Yam); 5. Auman Parrish (Hon).

80 D: 1. Buddy Capps (Kaw); 2. Brad Hinson (Suz); 3. Travis Tate (Hon); 4. Ridge Davis (Yam); 5. Shane Brady (Suz).

S/MINI: 1. Chris Cimburke (Kaw); 2. Randy Newkirk (Kaw); 3. Chad Aughinbaugh (Hon); 4. Brandon Engle (Suz); 5. Chase Davidson (Yam).

SCHBY: 1. Travis Powers (Hon); 2. James Barnes (Suz); 3. Brandon Watson (Yam); 4. Chris Gimburke (Kaw); 5. Aaron Rock (Suz).

125 A: 1. Mark Wagner (Yam); 2. Chad Newton (Yam); 3. Mike Martin (Yam); 4. Chris Anstead (Yam); 5. Allen Alford (Suz).

125 B: 1. Travis Powers (Hon); 2. Raleigh Deel (Suz); 3. Joshua Fulton (Kaw); 4. Chad Black (Suz); 5. Lane McKee (Yam).

125 C: 1. Brandon Watson (Yam); 2. Jimmy Long (Yam); 3. James Barnes (Suz); 4. Drew Fleming (Kaw); 5. Jay Mowroe (Yam).

125 D: 1. Vincent De Young (Kaw); 2. John Goss (Yam); 3. Eric Tate (Hon); 4. Marcus Dame (Hon); 5. Edward Cobb (Yam).

250 A: 1. Mike Martin (Yam); 2. Chad Newton (Yam); 3. Chris Anstead (Yam); 4. Scott Shipley (Yam); 5. Allen Alford (Suz).

250 B: 1. Kyle Richardson (Kaw); 2. Michael Haga (Yam); 3. Lane McKee (Yam); 4. Rick Nelan (Yam); 5. Shawn Howerton (Kaw).

250 C: 1. Cory Gholson (Suz); 2. Scott Dineen (Suz); 3. Jim Corderman (Hon); 4. Brad Porterfield (Suz); 5. Mike Miller (Hon).

250 D: 1. Brian Barnes (Hon); 2. Ben Bower (Hon); 3. Anthony Gazzone (Hon); 4. Dewey Pruitt (Hon); 5. Michael Woody (Yam).

25+ A: 1. Mike Martin (Yam); 2. Scottie Shipley (Yam); 3. Nelan McFarland (Kaw); 2. Sean Rakes (Yam); 5. James Morris (Yam).

25+ B: 1. Michael Haga (Yam); 2. Chad Black (Yam); 3. Patrick Fleming (Yam); 4. John Polakowski (Hon); 5. Joseph Anthony (Suz).

25+ C/D: 1. Lee Martin (Yam); 2. Jim Corderman (Hon); 3. Mike Miller (Hon); 4. Brad Porterfield (Suz).

30+ A: 1. Scott Shipley (Yam); 2. Vann Gibson (Hon); 3. James Morris (Yam); 4. Mark Hill (Hon).

30+ B/C: 1. David Hobson (Yam); 2. Russ Pickett (Yam); 3. Ron Horne (Yam); 4. Van Cran (Hon); 5. John Morrissey (Suz).

35+: 1. Vann Gibson (Hon); 2. Sonny Mitchell (Suz); 3. Gregory Lykens (Suz); 4. Chris Brewer (KTM); 5. Jay Hauser (Yam).

40+: 1. Sonny Mitchell (Suz); 2. Chris Brewer (KTM); 3. Ike DeJager (Suz); 4. Auman Parrish (Hon); 5. Ronald Parrish (Yam).

OPEN/4-STRK: 1. Brad Tester (Yam); 2. Russ Pickett (Yam); 3. Barry Nelson (Yam); 4. Jay Hauser (Yam); 5. George Stanton (Yam).

U/L: 1. Joshua Fulton (Kaw); 2. Kyle Richardson (Kaw); 3. Raleigh Deel (Suz); 4. Mike Ehrenzeller (Hon); 5. John Polakowski (Hon).

1999 Championship Point Standings

FRANCO BATTAINI

ROAD RACING

FIM 500cc World Championship Road Racing Series
(After 3 of 15 rounds):

1. Alex Criville (Hon), Spain (54/1 win)
2. Kenny Roberts Jr. (Suz), Modesto, CA (53/2 wins)
3. Carlos Checa (Yam), Spain (36)
4. Mick Doohan (Hon), Australia (33)
   Sete Gibernau (Hon), Spain (33)
6. Max Biaggi (Yam), Italy (27)
   Norick Abe (Yam), Japan (27)
8. Tadayuki Okada (Hon), Japan (25)
9. Juan Borja (Hon), Spain (20)
10. Regis Laconi (Yam), France (18)
    Alex Barros (Hon), Brazil (18)

FIM 250cc World Championship Road Racing Series
(After 3 of 15 rounds):

1. Tohru Ukawa (Hon), Japan (60)
2. Loris Capirossi (Hon), Italy (57/1 win)
3. Valentino Rossi (Apr), Italy (45/1 win)
4. Shinya Nakano (Yam), Japan (41/1 win)
5. Marcellino Lucchi (Apr), Italy (28)
6. Franco Battaini (Apr), Italy (26)
7. Jeremy McWilliams (Apr), England (18)
8. Roberto Rolfo (Apr), Italy (17)
9. Daijiro Katoh (Hon), Japan (15)
10. Olivier Jacque (Yam), France (13)
    Naoki Matsudo (Yam), Japan (13)

FIM 125cc World Championship Road Racing Series
(After 3 of 15 rounds):

1. Masao Azuma (Hon), Japan (75/3 wins)
2. Emilio Alzamora (Hon), Spain (52)
3. Gianluigi Scalvini (Apr), Italy (33)
4. Lucio Cecchinello (Hon), Italy (30)
5. Jeronimo Vidal (Apr), Spain (21)
6. Hideyuki Nakajoh (Hon), Japan (20)
7. Arnaud Vincent (Apr), France (19)
   Simone Sanna (Hon), Italy (19)
9. Youichi Ui (Der), Japan (16)
10. Kazuto Sakata (Hon), Japan (15)

FIM World Superbike Championship Series
(After 4 of 13 rounds):

1. Carl Fogarty (Duc), England (167/3 wins)
2. Troy Corser (Duc), Australia (131/2 wins)
3. Colin Edwards II (Hon), Conroe, TX (122/2 wins)
4. Akira Yanagawa (Kaw), Japan (106)
5. Aaron Slight (Hon), New Zealand (104)
6. Noriyuki Haga (Yam), Japan (75/1 win)
7. Pier-Francesco Chili (Suz), Italy (53)
8. Katsuaki Fujiwara (Suz), Japan (48)
9. Doriano Romboni (Duc), Italy (44)
10. Gregorio Lavilla (Yam), Spain (41)

AMA MBNA Superbike Series
(After 5 of 13 rounds):

1. Mat Mladin (Suz), Australia (161/1 win)
2. Ben Bostrom (Duc), Granada Hills, CA (135)
3. Larry Pegram (Duc), Baltimore, OH (124/1 win)
4. Anthony Gobert (Duc), Australia (123/2 wins)
5. Doug Chandler (Kaw), Salinas, CA (122)
6. Miguel DuHamel (Hon), Canada (115/1 win)
7. Aaron Yates (Kaw), Milledgeville, GA (113)
8. Rich Oliver (Yam), Fresno, CA (107)
9. Jason Pridmore (Suz), Ventura, CA (102)
10. Jamie Hacking (Yam), Boiling Springs, SC (98)

AMA Pro Honda Oils 600cc Supersport Series
(After 5 of 13 rounds):

1. Nicky Hayden (Hon), Owensboro, KY (151/2 wins)
2. Tommy Hayden (Yam), Owensboro, KY (147/2 wins)
3. Jamie Hacking (Yam), Boiling Springs, SC (120)
4. Rich Oliver (Yam), Fresno, CA (119)
5. Aaron Yates (Suz), Milledgeville, GA (116)
   Steve Crevier (Suz), Canada (116)
7. Miguel DuHamel (Hon), Canada (115/1 win)
8. Kurtis Roberts (Hon), Frederick, MD (108)
9. Josh Hayes (Suz), Gulfport, MS (100)
10. Jason Pridmore (Suz), Ventura, CA (87)

AMA Lockhart Phillips USA 750cc Supersport Series
(After 5 of 12 rounds):

1. Tom Kipp (Suz), Chardon, OH (177/4 wins)
2. Jimmy Moore (Suz), Eugene, OR (146)
3. Tommy Hayden (Yam), Owensboro, KY (136)
5. Jamie Bowman (Suz), Tequesta, FL (115)
6. Richard Alexander Jr. (Suz), Carmel, NY (113)
7. Mario DuHamel (Suz), Canada (110)
8. Jake Zemke (Suz), Paso Robles, CA (105)
9. James Randolph (Suz), Santa Rosa, CA (95)
10. Brian Parriott (Hon), Calistoga, CA (87)

AMA Mazda Trucks 250cc Grand Prix Series
(After 5 of 13 rounds):

1. Chuck Sorensen (Yam), San Jose, CA (165/3 wins)
2. Quenni King (Yam), Miami, FL (132)
3. Geep Terranova (Yam), San Jose, CA (126/1 win)
4. Greg Esser (Yam), Pompano Beach, FL (114)
5. Jeffrey Vos (Yam), Holland, MI (94)
6. Al Salaverria (Apr), San Francisco, CA (93)
7. Derek King (Hon), Charleston, SC (90)
8. John France (Yam), West Melbourne, FL (88)
9. Ed Sorbo (Yam), Redlands, CA (86)
10. Chris Ulrich (Yam), Lake Elsinore, CA (84)

AMA Sunoco Race Fuels Formula Xtreme Series
(After 4 of 12 rounds):

1. Kurtis Roberts (Hon), Frederick, MD (134/2 wins)
2. Mark Miller (Yam), Long Beach, CA (99)
3. Grant Lopez (Suz), Mobile, AL (94)
4. Josh Hayes (Suz), Gulfport, MS (90)
5. Mike Sullivan (Kaw), Centralia, WA (89)
6. Nicky Hayden (Hon), Owensboro, KY (86/2 wins)
7. Steve Grigg (Kaw), Asheville, NC (82)
8. Cory Call (Suz), Sacramento, CA (80)
   Chris Voelker (Hon), Bradley, CA (80)
10. Paul Harrell (Yam), Canyon Country, CA (77)

AMA Progressive Insurance Pro Thunder Series
(After 5 of 12 rounds):

1. Shawn Conrad (Duc), Sheboygan Falls, WI (147)
2. Shawn Higbee (Bue), Waterford, WI (129/2 wins)
3. Cory Call (Duc), Sacramento, CA (128/1 win)
   Billy Graef (Bue), Sheboygan, WI (128)
5. Bill St. John (Duc), Cullman, AL (121)
6. James Lickwar (Tri), San Francisco, CA (116)
7. Thomas G. Montano (Duc), Berkley, CA (114/1 win)
8. Tom Hull (Duc), Mesa, AZ (102)
9. Gavin Slabbert (Duc), Loomis, CA (80)
10. Christopher Boy (Lav), Gulf Stream, FL (76)

MOTOCROSS

AMA Mazda Trucks 250cc National Motocross Series
(After 2 of 12 rounds):

1. Sebastien Tortelli (Hon), France (80/1 win)
2. Ezra Lusk (Hon), Bainbridge, GA (73)
3. Mike LaRocco (Hon), South Bend, IN (69)
4. Jeff Emig (Kaw), Riverside, CA (68)
5. Greg Albertyn (Suz), South Africa (58)
6. Robbie Reynard (Suz), Norman, OK (50)
7. Kevin Windham (Hon), Ethel, LA (49/1 win)
8. Doug Henry (Yam), Oxford, CT (44)
9. Larry Ward (Suz), Florence, SC (42)
   Tim Ferry (Yam), Largo, FL (42)

AMA Mazda Trucks 125cc National Motocross Series
(After 2 of 12 rounds):

1. Ricky Carmichael (Kaw), Havana, FL (97/2 wins)
2. Tallon Vohland (Hon), Citrus Heights, CA (84)
3. Nicholas Wey (Kaw), Dewitt, MI (68)
4. Casey Johnson (Yam), Lake Elsinore, CA (63)
   Brock Sellards (Hon), New Philadelphia, OH (63)
6. Michael Brandes (Suz), Quail Valley, CA (61)
7. Scott Sheak (Kaw), Corona, CA (47)
   Casey Lytle (Yam), Santa Clarita, CA (47)
9. Danny Smith (Hon), Eagle, ID (46)
10. Jason McCormick (Hon), Vancouver, WA (43)

Toyota Truck/Thor/Parts Unlimited AMA Supercross Series
(After 16 of 16 rounds):

1. Jeremy McGrath (Yam), Menifee, CA (356/8 wins)
2. Ezra Lusk (Hon), Bainbridge, GA (273/5 wins)
3. Mike LaRocco (Hon), South Bend, IN (267)
4. Mickael Pichon (Hon), France (244)
5. Larry Ward (Suz), Florence, SC (240/1 win)
6. Damon Huffman (Kaw), Acton, CA (203)
7. Kevin Windham (Hon), Baton Rouge, LA (166/2 wins)
8. Tim Ferry (Yam), Largo, FL (162)
   Greg Albertyn (Suz), South Africa (162)
10. Robbie Reynard (Suz), Norman, OK (155)

AMA Western Regional 125cc Supercross Series
(After 8 of 8 rounds):

1. Nathan Ramsey (Kaw), Corona, CA (170/5 wins)
2. Casey Lytle (Yam), Saugus, CA (164)
3. Isaiah Johnson (Kaw), Albuquerque, NM (112)
4. David Pingree (Suz), Menifee, CA (104/1 win)
5. Michael Brandes (Suz), Quail Valley, CA (103)
6. Ryan Clark (Kaw), Albuquerque, NM (100)
7. Casey Johnson (Yam), Murrieta, CA (94/2 wins)
   Greg Schnell (Yam), Rancho Cucamonga, CA (94)
9. Travis Preston (Suz), Hesperia, CA (80)
10. Erick Vallejo (Kaw), Mexico (78)

AMA Eastern Regional 125cc Supercross Series
(After 7 of 7 rounds):

1. Ernesto Fonseca (Yam), Costa Rica (172/6 wins)
2. Nick Wey (Kaw), Dewitt, MI (119)
3. Robbie Horton (Hon), Blountville, TN (103)
4. Brock Sellards (Hon), New Philadelphia, OH (98/1 win)
5. Danny Smith (Hon), Eagle, ID (88)
6. Jim Neese (Yam), Greensboro, NC (79)
7. Jiri Dostal (Suz), Quail Valley, CA (77)
8. Joseph Oehlhof (KTM), Wapakoneta, OH (73)
9. Jason Thomas (Yam), Melrose, FL (67)
10. Kelly Smith (KTM), Ludington, MI (66)

FIM 125cc World Championship Series
(After 4 of 13 rounds):

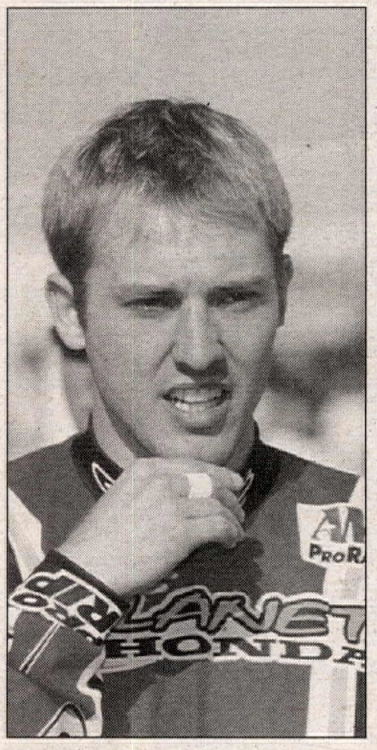
1. Alessio Chiodi (Hus), Italy (154/4 wins)
2. Claudio Federici (Yam), Italy (130)
3. Mike Brown (Hon), Piney Flats, TN (99)
4. Thomas Traversini (Hus), Italy (83)
5. Jeff Dement (Hon), Spring, TX (55)
6. Patrick Caps (Hon), Belgium (52)
7. Steve Ramon (Kaw), Belgium (51)
8. James Dobb (Suz), Great Britain (50)
9. Luca Cherubini (Yam), Italy (46)
   Eric Camerlengo (Yam), Italy (22)

FIM 250cc World Championship Series
(After 5 of 16 rounds):

1. Marnicq Bervoets (Kaw), Germany (152/2 wins)
2. Pit Beirer (Kaw), Germany (150)
3. Frederic Bolley (Hon), France (144/2 wins)
4. Ryan Hughes (Hon), Temecula, CA (106)
5. David Vullemin (Yam), France (96/1 win)
6. Joshua Coppins (Suz), New Zealand (90)
7. Leon Geisbers (Suz), Holland (86)
8. Remy Van Rees (Kaw), Netherlands (70)
9. Mickael Maschio (Yam), France (65)
10. Peter Iven (Kaw), Belgium (44)

FIM 500cc World Championship Series
(After 3 of 13 rounds):

1. Andrea Bartolini (Yam), Italy (85/1 win)
2. Joel Smets (Hbg), Belgium (80/1 win)
3. Yves Demaria (Hus), France (69/1 win)
4. Trampas Parker (KTM), USA (60)
5. Sandro Puzar (Yam), Italy (55)
6. Shayne King (KTM), New Zealand (49)
7. Darryll King (Hus), New Zealand (48)
8. Jocke Karlsson (Hon), Sweden (41)
9. Peter Johansson (KTM), Sweden (37)
10. Jochen Jacinski (Hon), Sweden (31)



DANNY SMITH

DIRT TRACK

AMA Grand National Championship Series
(After 2 of 22 rounds)

1. Nicky Hayden (H-D), Owensboro, KY (33)
2. Chris Carr (H-D), Fleetwood, PA (32)
3. Jay Springsteen (H-D), Lapeer, MI (31/1 win)
4. Brett Landes (H-D), Los Gatos, CA (26)
5. Will Davis (H-D), Goldsboro, NC (24/1 win)
6. Rich King (H-D), Dysart, IA (21)
7. Kevin Atherton (H-D), White Pigeon, MI (15)
   Ronnie Jones II (H-D), Oklahoma City, OK (15)
9. Bryan Bigelow (H-D), Au Gres, MI (14)
10. Joe Kopp (H-D), Mica, WA (13)

AMA Supertrapp SuperTracker Series
(After 1 of 10 rounds):

1. J.R. Schnabel (Suz), West Bend, WI (23/1 win)
2. Steve Morehead (Suz), Findlay, OH (19)
3. Mike Hacker (H-D), Prince George, VA (16)
4. Robert Miller (H-D), New Holland, PA (15)
5. Brett Landes (H-D), Los Gatos, CA (14)
6. Brian Kromroy (H-D), Madison, WI (13)
7. Rich King (Hon), Dysart, IA (12)
8. Joe Kopp (Suz), Mica, WA (11)
9. Joey Brock (H-D), Indianapolis, IN (10)

AMA Harley-Davidson Sportster Performance Series
(After 1 of 15 rounds):

1. Gary Rogers, San Jose, CA (23/1 win)
2. Shaun Russell, San Jose, CA (19)
3. Willie McCoy, Richardson, TX (16)
4. Robert Miller, New Holland, PA (15)
5. Nate Wait, Lodi, CA (14)
6. Michelle DiSalvo, Salinas, CA (13)
7. Joe Eades, Petersburg, VA (12)
8. Billy Martin, Stockton, CA (11)
9. James Hart, Sandoval, IL (10)
10. Paul Normandin, Gloversville, NY (9)

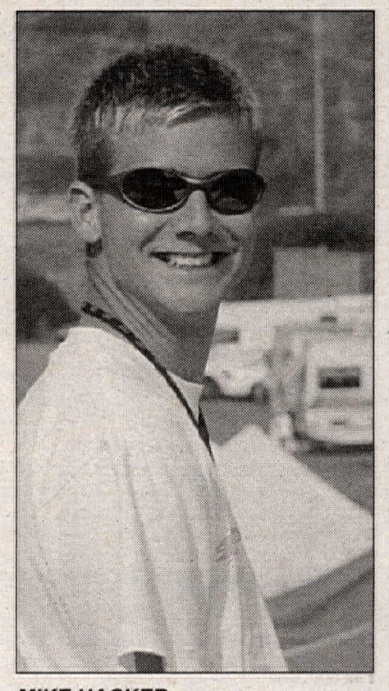
OFF ROAD

AMA National Championship Hare Scrambles Series
(After 4 of 9 rounds):

1. Doug Blackwell (Yam), Parkersburg, WV (80/1 win)
2. Brian Garrahan (KTM), Boulder Creek, CA (78/1 win)
3. Shane Watts (KTM), Australia (55/1 win)
4. Erik Kohler (Yam), Sacramento, CA (47)
5. Michael Lafferty (KTM), Millville, NJ (44/1 win)
6. Craig Wesner (Kaw), Windsor, CA (43)
7. Jim Jarrett (Kaw), Minerva, OH (34)
8. Kelby Pepper (Yam), Center, CO (33)
9. Roderick Kreiss (Kaw), Concord, CA (32)
10. Robbie Zimmerman (Yam), Alta, CA (28)

AMA Acerbis National Enduro Series
(After 5 of 15 rounds):

1. Ty Davis (Yam), Hesperia, CA (122/2 wins)
2. Randy Hawkins (Yam), Travelers Rest, SC (91)
3. Michael Lafferty (KTM), Millville, NJ (85)
4. Shane Watts (KTM), Australia (68/2 wins)
5. Matt Stavish (Hon), Blaine, MN (63)
6. Doug Blackwell (Yam), Parkersburg, WV (55/1 win)
7. Brian Garrahan (KTM), Boulder Creek, CA (54)
8. Destry Abbott (Kaw), Peoria, AZ (52)
9. Franklin Ramey III (G-G), Abbeville, SC (41)
   Mark Spence (Hon), Manassas, VA (41)



MIKE HACKER

AMA Grand National Cross Country Series
(After 3 of 13 rounds):

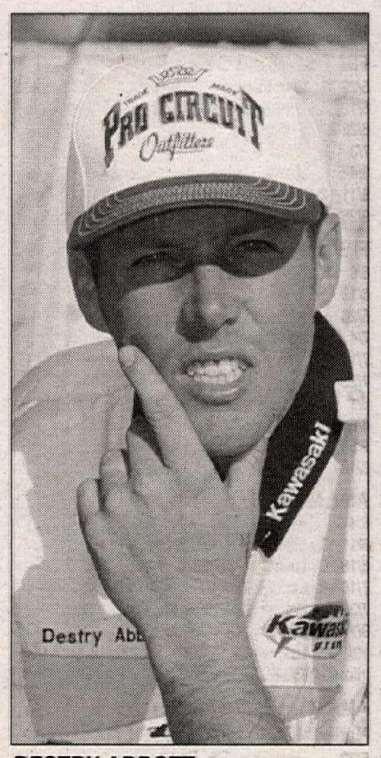
1. Shane Watts (KTM), Australia (59/2 wins)
2. Michael Lafferty (KTM), Millville, NJ (48)
3. Steve Hatch (Suz), Phoenix, AZ (47)
4. Paul Edmondson (Suz), England (37)
   Scott Summers (Hon), Petersburg, KY (37)
   Rodney Smith (Suz), Oakley, CA (37)
7. Fred Andrews (Kaw), Salem, OH (33)
8. Joel Dengler (Suz), NJ (32)
9. Jim Jarrett (Kaw), Minerva, OH (30)
10. Randy Hawkins (Yam), Travelers Rest, SC (27)

AMA National Championship Hare & Hound Series
(After 3 of 7 rounds):

1. Brian Brown (Kaw), Nampa, ID (80/1 wins)
2. Destry Abbott (Kaw), Peoria, AZ (55/1 win)
3. Ty Davis (Yam), Hesperia, CA (51/1 win)
4. Dan Richardson (Kaw), Fountain Valley, CA (45)
5. Russ Pearson (KTM), Las Vegas, NV (43)
6. Shane Esposito (Kaw), Reno, NV (42)
7. Oakley Lehman (Kaw), Sunland, CA (34)
8. Jeff Capt (Kaw), Lakewood, CA (29)
9. Abe Baumann (Kaw), Garden Grove, CA (22)
10. Steve Hengeveld (Kaw), Oak Hills, CA (21)

AMA National Championship Observed Trials Series
(After 2 of 11 rounds):

1. Raymond Peters (G-G), Beaver Dams, NY (60/2 wins)
2. Geoff Aaron (Bet), Alpine, CA (50)
3. Ryon Bell (Mon), Canada (42)
4. Dan Johnson (Bul), Canada (36)
5. Dennis Sweeten (Mon), Oregon City, OR (31)
6. Travis Fox (G-G), Montoursville, PA (28)
7. Chris Bardell (G-G), Millertown, PA (28)



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Calendar

FIM World Championship Road Racing Series
5/23 Paul Ricard, France, Rnd 4
6/6 Mugello, Italy, Rnd 5
6/20 Catalunya, Spain, Rnd 6
6/26 Assen, Holland, Rnd 7
7/4 Donington, England, Rnd 8
7/18 Sachsenring, Germany, Rnd 9
TBA TBA, Rnd 10
8/22 Brno, Czech Republic, Rnd 11
9/5 San Marino, Rnd 12
9/19 Valencia, Spain, Rnd 13
10/3 Phillip Island, Australia, Rnd 14
10/10 Welkom, South Africa, Rnd 15
10/24 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Rnd 16
10/31 Buenos Aires, Argentina, Rnd 17
Info: 011/41-22-950-9500

FIM World Superbike Series
5/30 Monza, Italy, Rnd 5
6/13 Nurburgring, Germany, Rnd 6
6/27 San Marino, Rnd 7
7/11 Monterey, CA, Rnd 8
8/1 Brands Hatch, England, Rnd 9
8/29 A-1 Ring, Austria, Rnd 10
9/5 Assen, Holland, Rnd 11
9/26 TBA, Rnd 12
10/10 Sugo, Japan, Rnd 13
Info: 011/41-22-950-9500

FIM 500cc World Championship Motocross Series
5/30 Loket, Czech Republic, Rnd 5
6/13 Teutschenthal, Germany, Rnd 6
7/11 Hawkstone Park, England, Rnd 7
7/18 Lucenec, Slovakia, Rnd 8
8/1 Namur, Belgium, Rnd 9
8/8 Folkendange, Luxembourg, Rnd 10
8/22 Uddevalla, Sweden, Rnd 11
8/29 Kouvola, Finland, Rnd 12
9/5 Lierop, Holland, Rnd 13

FIM 250cc World Championship Motocross Series
5/30 Foxhill, England, Rnd 7
6/13 Maggiora, Italy, Rnd 8
6/20 St. Jean d'Angely, Europe, Rnd 9
6/27 Kester, Belgium, Rnd 10
8/1 Gdynia, Poland, Rnd 11
8/8 Folkendange, Luxembourg, Rnd 12
8/22 Nismes, Belgium, Rnd 13
8/29 Gaildorf, Germany, Rnd 14
9/12 Budds Creek, MD, Rnd 15

FIM 125cc World Championship Motocross Series
5/30 Foxhill, England, Rnd 6
6/13 Agueda, Portugal, Rnd 7
6/20 Borgo Maggiore, San Marino, Rnd 8
7/11 Launsdorf, Austria, Rnd 9
7/18 Orahova Vas, Slovakia, Rnd 10
8/8 Roggenburg, Switzerland, Rnd 11
8/22 Haenchen, Germany, Rnd 12
8/29 Jastrebarsko, Croatia, Rnd 13

FIM Motocross des Nations
9/26 Indaiatuba, Brazil

FIM World Individual Speedway Championship Grand Prix Series
6/4 Linkoping, Sweden, Rnd 2
7/3 Wroclaw, Poland, Rnd 3
7/31 Coventry, England, Rnd 4
8/28 Bydgoszcz, Poland, Rnd 5
9/25 Vojens, Denmark, Rnd 6
7/18 Poole, Great Britain (Intercontinental Final)
7/25 Wroclaw, Poland (Continental Final)
10/10 Lonigo, Italy (Grand Prix Challenge)

FIM Trial World C'ship Series
5/29-30 Grossheubach, Germany
6/12-13 St. Gilles/Reunion, France
6/26-27 Exeter, RI
7/3-4 Watkins Glen, NY
9/4-5 Biasca, Switzerland
9/11-12 Lavarone, Italy
9/26 Ettelbruck-Warken, Luxembourg

FIM World Sidecar C'ship
6/6 Cesis, Latvia
6/13 Jaanikese, Estonia
6/20 Varsseveld, Netherlands
7/4 Lacapelle Marival, France
7/11 Strassbessenbach, Germany
7/25 Rijkevorsel, Belgium
8/1 Chernivtsi, Ukraine
8/8 Kegums, Latvia
9/5 Canada Heights, Great Britain
9/12 Tagerig, Switzerland

AMA MBNA Superbike Series
6/4-6 Braselton, GA, Rnds 6 & 7
6/11-13 Elkhart Lake, WI, Rnd 8
6/18-20 Loudon, NH, Rnd 9
7/16-18 Lexington, OH, Rnd 10
7/30-8/1 Brainerd, MN, Rnd 11
9/17-19 Fountain, CO, Rnd 12
10/1-3 Las Vegas, NV, Rnd 13
Info: 614/856-1900

AMA Drag Specialties Grand National Dirt Track Series
5/22 Harrington, DE, Rnd 3
5/30 Springfield, IL, Rnd 4
6/11 Plymouth, WI, Rnd 5
6/19 Mineralwells, WV, Rnd 6
6/26 Lima, OH, Rnd 7
7/3 Indianapolis, IN, Rnd 8
7/10 Joliet, IL, Rnd 9
7/17 Oklahoma City, OK, Rnd 10
7/24 Du Quoin, IL, Rnd 11
7/31 Rossburg, OH, Rnd 12
8/7 Lake Odessa, MI, Rnd 13
8/11 Rapid City, SD, Rnd 14
8/15 Peoria, IL, Rnd 15
8/21 Hagerstown, MD, Rnd 16
8/28 Sedalia, MO, Rnd 17
9/5 Springfield, IL, Rnd 18
9/11 Dallas, TX, Rnd 19
9/18 Sacramento, CA, Rnd 20
10/2 Las Vegas, NV, Rnd 21
10/10 Del Mar, CA, Rnd 22
Info: 614/856-1900

AMA Mazda Trucks National Motocross Series
5/30 Mount Morris, PA, Rnd 3
6/13 Southwick, MA, Rnd 4
6/20 Budds Creek, MD, Rnd 5
7/4 Buchanan, MI, Rnd 6
7/18 New Berlin, NY, Rnd 7
7/25 Troy, OH, Rnd 8
8/1 Washougal, WA, Rnd 9
8/15 Millville, MN, Rnd 10
8/29 Binghamton, NY, Rnd 11
9/5 Delmont, PA, Rnd 12
Info: 614/856-1900

AMA Acerbis National Enduro Series
5/29 McArthur, OH, Rnd 6*
6/5 Idaho City, ID, Rnd 7*
6/6 Idaho City, ID, Rnd 8*
6/19 Hurricane Mills, TN, Rnd 9*
6/20 Hurricane Mills, TN, Rnd 10*
7/25 Akeley, MN, Rnd 11
8/22 Indian River, MI, Rnd 12
9/26 New Waverly, TX, Rnd 13
10/31 Delaware City, DE, Rnd 14
*Indicates ISDE Qualifier
Info: 614/856-1900

AMA National Hare & Hound Series
6/26 TBA/NV, Rnd 6
10/24 Lucerne Valley, CA, Rnd 7
Info: 614/856-1900

AMA National Hare Scrambles Series
6/27 Ottawa, IL, Rnd 5
7/4 Chelsea, VT, Rnd 6
7/18 Kahoka, MO, Rnd 7
8/29 Millfield, OH, Rnd 8
10/3 Lynnville, IN, Rnd 9
Info: 614/856-1900

AMA Grand National Cross Country Series
5/22-23 Brownsville, PA, Rnd 7
6/5-6 Boyer, PA, Rnd 8
7/10-11 Fairmont, WV, Rnd 9
8/28-29 Millfield, OH, Rnd 10
9/25-26 Mount Morris, PA, Rnd 11
10/9-10 Lisbon, OH, Rnd 12
10/23-24 Crawfordsville, IN, Rnd 13
Info: 304/284-0084

AMA/NATC National Observed Trials Championship
5/22-23 Salida, CO
5/29-30 Washougal, WA
6/19 Lock Haven, PA
6/20 Williamsonburg, PA
8/21-22 Ute Cup/Sargent, CO
8/28-29 Casper, WY

AMA/District 36 Vintage/ Veteran Dirt Track Series
5/22 Lodi, CA, Rnds 21, 22
6/5 Lodi, CA, Rnds 23, 24
6/12 Lodi, CA, Rnds 25, 26
6/19 Lodi, CA, Rnds 27, 28
6/26 Lodi, CA, Rnds 29, 30
7/10 Lodi, CA, Rnds 31, 32
7/17 Lodi, CA, Rnds 33, 34
7/24 Lodi, CA, Rnds 35, 36
8/14 Lodi, CA, Rnds 37, 38
8/21 Lodi, CA, Rnds 39, 40
9/11 Lodi, CA, Rnds 41, 42
9/18 Lodi, CA, Rnds 43, 44
10/9 Lodi, CA, Rnds 45, 46
10/16 Lodi, CA, Rnds 47, 48
10/23 Lodi, CA, Rnds 49, 50
Info: 209/368-7809

AMA/District 36 Amateur/ Youth Dirt Track Series
5/22 Lodi, CA, Rnds 21, 22
6/5 Lodi, CA, Rnds 23, 24
6/12 Lodi, CA, Rnds 25, 26
6/19 Lodi, CA, Rnds 27, 28
6/26 Lodi, CA, Rnds 29, 30
7/10 Lodi, CA, Rnds 31, 32
7/17 Lodi, CA, Rnds 33, 34
7/24 Lodi, CA, Rnds 35, 36
8/14 Lodi, CA, Rnds 37, 38
8/21 Lodi, CA, Rnds 39, 40
9/11 Lodi, CA, Rnds 41, 42
9/18 Lodi, CA, Rnds 43, 44
10/9 Lodi, CA, Rnds 45, 46
10/16 Lodi, CA, Rnds 47, 48
10/23 Lodi, CA, Rnds 49, 50
Info: 209/833-0639

AMA/District 37 Grand Prix Big 6 Series
10/2-3 Glen Helen, CA
11/6-7 Gorman, CA
Info: 562/423-1889 or 818/352-7085

AMA/District 37 Dual Sport Ride Series
7/17-18 Bass Lake, CA
7/24-25 Sequoia National Forest, CA
7/31-8/1 Mammoth Lakes, CA*
8/7-8 Big Bear Lake, CA
8/14-15 Big Bear Lake, CA
9/25-26 Ridgecrest, CA
9/11-12 Bass Lake, CA
10/3 Silverwood Lake, CA
10/9-11 Las Vegas, NV
10/16-17 Mesquite, NV*
10/30-31 El Centro, CA
11/6-7 Ridgecrest, CA
11/14 San Bernardino, CA
12/26 Cantil, CA
* National Trail Ride Series Events
Info: 818/249-2141 (3,1)

AMA Prostar National Drag Racing Series
6/5-6 Rockingham, NC, Rnd 4
7/9-11 Chicago, IL, Rnd 5
8/13-15 Indianapolis, IN, Rnd 6
9/10-12 Atco, NJ, Rnd 7
11/12-14 Gainesville, FL, Rnd 8
Info: 256/852-1101

AMA Prostar Regional Drag Racing Series
10/16-17 Houston, TX
Info: 256/852-1101

AMA Prostar West Drag Racing Series
6/26 Phoenix, AZ, Rnd 3
8/21 Salt Lake City, UT, Rnd 4
10/9-10 Phoenix, AZ, Rnd 5
Info: 256/852-1101

AMA Texas Championship Hare Scrambles Series
5/23 Montgomery, TX, Rnd 8
6/6 Walnut Creek, TX, Rnd 9
8/29 Altair, TX, Rnd 10
9/19 Fort Hood, TX, Rnd 11
10/3 Altair, TX, Rnd 12
10/17 Rockne, TX, Rnd 13
11/7 Fort Hood, TX, Rnd 14
Info: 409/732-9171 or http://www.flash.net/~tchss.

AMA Georgia C'ship MX Series
9/19 Roberta, GA, Rnd 7
9/26 Macon, GA, Rnd 8
10/3 Reynolds, GA, Rnd 9
10/10 Roberta, GA, Rnd 10
10/24 Bremen, GA, Rnd 11
11/7 Dalton, GA, Rnd 12
Info: 912/788-0413 or 706/278-1620

AMA/District 7 Hare Scrambles C'ship Series
6/27 Rawlings, MD
7/25 Budds Creek, MD
8/22 Budds Creek, MD
10/10 Budds Creek, MD
Info: 410/792-7200

AMA Four Corners MX Series
5/23 Aztec, NM
6/13 Mancos, CO
6/27 Aztec, NM
7/11 Mancos, CO
7/25 Aztec, NM
8/8 Mancos, CO
8/29 Aztec, NM
9/5 Mancos, CO
9/26 Aztec, NM
10/10 Aztec, NM
Info: 800/720-MOTO or 970/533-9747

AMA Western Four-Stroke National MX Series
6/6 Lakewood, CO
7/11 Boise, ID
7/31 Washougal, WA
9/19 Oklahoma City, OK
Info: 503/708-8486 or 503/699-5935 or http://www.4strokenationals.com

AMA/District 25 Rocky Mountain MX Spring Series
5/23 Milliken, CO
5/30 Brush, CO
6/6 Erie, CO*
Summer Series
6/13 Craig, CO
6/27 Watkins, CO*
7/18 Erie, CO
8/8 Erie, CO
8/22 Watkins, CO
9/5 Craig, CO
9/12 Brush, CO
9/19 Milliken, CO*
10/2-3 Craig, CO*
* District 25 state championship series
Info: 303/271-0190 or http://www.rmxa.com

AMA/District 34 Family Motocross Series
5/23 Monticello, NY
5/30 Modena, NY
6/6 Modena, NY
6/13 Walden, NY
6/20 Monticello, NY
6/27 Modena, NY
7/4 Modena, NY
7/11 Monticello, NY
7/25 Walden, NY
8/1 Monticello, NY
8/8 Claverack, NY
8/15 Modena, NY
8/22 Walden, NY
9/5 Modena, NY
9/12 Claverack, NY
9/19 Walden, NY
9/26 Modena, NY
10/3 Modena, NY
10/10 Modena, NY
10/17 Walden, NY
10/24 Modena, NY
10/31 Walden, NY
11/7 Modena, NY
11/14 Modena, NY
Info: 518/828-6149

AMA Southern California MX Championship Series
6/5-6 Kernville, CA, Rnd 2
6/20 Hungry Valley, CA, Rnd 3
7/11 Hungry Valley, CA, Rnd 4
7/18 Palmdale, CA, Rnd 5
8/1 Glen Helen, CA, Rnd 6
8/8 San Jacinto, CA, Rnd 7
8/15 Glen Helen, CA, Rnd 8
8/22 Palmdale, CA, Rnd 9
9/5 Piru, CA, Rnd 10
Info: 805/589-9265

AMA Tecnosel Carolina Ultra MX Series
5/22-23 Society Hill, SC
5/30 Iron Station, NC
6/27 Iron Station, NC
8/29 Iron Station, NC
9/19 Danville, VA
10/30-31 Society Hill, SC
Info: 423/323-5497

AMA Pro-Am Mega MX Series
5/22-23 Society Hill, SC, Rnd 7
6/5-6 Blountville, TN, Rnd 8
7/3-4 London, KY, Rnd 9
7/11 Wytheville, VA, Rnd 10
7/17-18 Blountville, TN, Rnd 11
9/5 London, KY, Rnd 12
9/12 Blountville, TN, Rnd 13
9/25-26 Pigeon Forge, TN, Rnd 14
10/3 London, KY, Rnd 15
10/15-17 Blountville, TN, Rnd 16
Info: 423/323-5497

AMA/Suzuki Dual Sport Trail Ride Series
5/22-23 McArthur, OH
6/5-6 Mill Hall, PA
6/5-6 Lesterville, MO
6/12-13 Loudon, NH
6/19-20 Hurricane Mills, TN
7/17-18 Davis, WV
7/25-30 Newberry, MI
7/31-8/1 Berkshire, NY
7/31-8/1 Mammoth Lakes, CA
9/11-12 Golden Pond, KY
9/18-19 Elizabeth, WV
9/25-26 Columbus, IN
10/2-3 Woodstock, VA
10/9-10 Angels Camp, CA
10/16-17 McArthur, OH
10/16-17 St. George, UT
10/23-24 Saucier, MS
10/30-31 Terlingua, TX
11/26-27 Los Angeles, CA
Info: 614/856-1900

AMA Ballzee Grand Championship MX Series
6/27 Axton, VA
7/18 Danville, VA
7/25 Reidsville, NC
8/1 Axton, VA
8/8 Danville, VA
Info: 804/724-4392

AMA U.S. Eastern Motocross Fall Series
9/5 Dillwyn, VA
9/18 Danville, VA
9/26 East Bend, NC
10/3 Reidsville, NC
10/10 Elizabeth City, NC
10/17 Sanford, NC
10/24 Danville, VA
10/31 Axton, VA
11/7 Dillwyn, VA
Info: 804/724-4392

AMA Pacific Northwest Championship Series
7/4 Washougal, WA
7/25 Trulson, WA
8/8 Mount View, WA
8/15 Ward Creek, WA
8/22 Washougal, WA
Info: 541/673-1671 or washougalmx.com

AMA Southern Dirt Track Series
5/22-24 Danielsville, GA
6/12 TBA
6/26 Danielsville, GA
7/17-18 Coleridge, NC
8/14 TBA
8/28 Macon, GA
9/4 TBA
9/17-18 TBA
10/2 TBA
10/16 Danielsville, GA
11/13-14 TBA
Info: 770/962-7888 or 770/339-3997

Sound of Thunder Four-Stroke MX Series
Southwestern
7/3-4 Hollister, CA
Pacific Northwest
7/10-11 Yakima, WA
7/18 Sandy, OR
8/7-8 Albany, OR
Central States
8/12 Ponca City, OK
Final Event
9/11-12 Donner Ranch, Lake Tahoe, CA
Info: 530/221-0912

SERA Hare Scrambles Series
6/27 Lawrenceburg, TN
7/25 Maplesville, AL
9/25 Hattiesburg, MS
10/10 Fort Polk, LA
11/21 Meridian, MS
1/2 Saucier, MS
1/16 Maplesville, AL
2/6 Meridian, MS
Info: 601/763-7427

SERA Enduro Series
5/30 Clanton, AL
6/13 Laurel, MS
6/20 Fort Polk, LA
8/8 Breezy Hill, LA
8/29 Little Rock, AR
9/12 Rockford, AL
9/26 Hattiesburg, MS
11/7 Maplesville, AL
Info: 205/980-5191

AHRMA/Progressive Suspension Historic Cup Road Race Series
6/5-6 Elkhart Lake, WI
6/19-20 Grattan, MI
7/10-11 Lexington, OH
8/14-15 South Haven, MI
9/18 Park City, UT
10/2-3 Talladega, AL
10/23-24 Kershaw, SC
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA/Speed & Sport Vintage MX Series
6/19 Grattan, MI
7/11 Lexington, OH
7/31 Colorado Springs, CO
8/14 Southwick, MA
8/22 Chehalis, WA
8/28 Thornville, OH
9/19 Park City, UT
9/25 Peoria, IL
10/17 Hollister, CA
11/7 Tulare, CA
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA/Classic Bike Magazine Dirt Track Series
5/30 Port Royal, PA
6/6 Indianapolis, IN
6/11 Cumberland, MD
7/4 Athens, OH
7/9 Ashland, OH
7/24 Weedsport, NY
9/4 Castle Rock, WA
9/10 Lavonia, GA
9/11 Savannah, GA
9/17 Heber, UT
9/24 Peoria, IL
9/26 Peoria, IL
10/9 Del Mar, CA
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA/Speed & Sport Vintage Trials Series
6/6 Santa Cruz, CA
6/20 Grattan, MI
7/10 Lexington, OH
8/1 Colorado Springs, CO
8/21 Chehalis, WA
9/16 Park City, UT
9/26 Peoria, IL
10/2 Dickson, TN
10/9 White City, IL
* 10/16 Hollister, CA
10/30 Monroe, GA
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA National Grand Prix Series
8/29 Thornville, OH
10/3 San Bernardino, CA
10/10 White City, IL
10/24 Casey, IL
12/19 Brentwood, CA
Info: 715/842-9699

AHRMA Dixie Cup Regional Road Race Series
10/2-3 Talladega, AL
10/23-24 Kershaw, SC

AHRMA Masters of the Midwest Regional Road Race Series
6/5-6 Elkhart Lake, WI
6/19-20 Grattan, MI
7/10-11 Lexington, OH
8/14-15 South Haven, MI

AHRMA Pacific Crown Regional Road Race Series
9/18 Park City, UT

AHRMA Mid-Atlantic Vintage MX Series
6/13 Sale Creek, TN
7/31 Axton, VA
8/21 Shippensburg, PA
10/17 Elizabeth, NC
Info: 703/707-8692 or www.vintagemx.com

AHRMA Midwest Regional MX Series
5/22 Casey, IL
6/6 Kansas City, MO
6/19 Grattan, MI
6/26 Indianapolis, IN
7/11 Lexington, OH
8/21 Belding, MI
8/28 Thornville, OH
9/11 Lamoni, IA
9/25 Peoria, IL
10/2 Denmark, WI
10/23 Casey, IL
Info: 515/253-0190 or braken@worldnet.att.net

AHRMA Northwest Regional MX Series
5/23 Fernley, NV
6/13 Phillipsville, CA
6/27 Eugene, OR
7/18 Carson City, NV
8/22 Chehalis, WA
10/3 Madras, OR
10/17 Hollister, CA
11/7 Tulare, CA
Info: 408/663-4014 or mlight@mbay.net

AHRMA Northwest Lumberjack MX Series
5/23 Fernley, NV
6/13 Phillipsville, CA
6/27 Eugene, OR
8/22 Chehalis, WA
10/3 Madras, OR
Info: 408/663-4014 or mlight@mbay.net

AHRMA Southeast Regional MX Series
6/13 Sale Creek, TN
7/17 Bremen, GA
8/15 Steele, AL
9/19 Macon, GA
10/31 Edgefield, SC
11/14 Reddick, FL
Info: 770/979-8310 or kavula_m@mercer.edu

AHRMA Southeast Regional Trials Series
7/17 Bremen, GA
9/18 Macon, GA
10/2-3 Dickson, TN
10/31 Monroe, GA
Info: 334/826-1969

AHRMA H&H KTM Southeast GP Series
9/18 Macon, GA
10/3 Lookout Mountain, GA
Info: 770/979-8310 or kavula_m@mercer.edu

AHRMA Southeast Regional Dirt Track Series
5/23 Danielsville, GA

AHRMA Southwest Regional MX Series
8/15 Big Bear, CA
9/12 Gorman, CA
10/3 Perris, CA
11/7 Tulare, CA
11/21 Phoenix, AZ
Info: 714/965-0660

AHRMA Western Regional Dirt Track Series
5/30 Oroville, CA
7/17 Carson City, NV
8/8 Hollister, CA
8/22 Lodi, CA
8/28 Brentwood, CA
9/6 Lancaster, CA
10/2 Maderas, OR
10/8 Barona, CA
10/23-24 Tulare, CA
Info: 818/992-5343

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		Garden State Pky to Exit 63, Rt 72 W 1 mile	
May (Y)	22/23	Brownsville Park	Brownsville, PA
		W of Uniontown on Rt 40, Exit Business Dist.	
June (Y)	5/6	Boyers	Boyers, PA
		I-79 to I-80 E to Rt 308 South	

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Sun.,	May 23	L.A.County Raceway - DUNESTOWN SERIES	
Tues.,	May 25	10:00 to 3:00 Big Bikes	3:00-dusk Minis
Wed.,	May 26	1:00pm to dusk	
Sat.,	May 29	8:00am to 2:00pm	Quads welcome

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VINTAGE / EVOLUTION MX

Sun. July	25TH	Carlsbad	Carlsbad, CA
Sun. Aug	29TH	Gorman	Gorman, CA
Sun. Sep	26TH	LACR	Palmdale, CA
Sun. Nov	7TH	Glen Helen	San Bernardino, CA

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SVRG SERIES - (760) 744-8052

GFI RACING Southern Region
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Sat.,	May 29	GFI Spring Awards	Starwest
Sat.,	May 29	GFI at Night Series Round 1	Starwest
Mon.,	May 31	GFI Memorial Day Extravaganza	Perris

GFI RACING Northern Region
(209) 656-9682
Yamaha Contingency

Sun. May 23	AXO Spring Series Round 5	Hollister Hills GP Track	Hollister, CA
May 30 & 31	AXO Spring Series Final Round Memorial Weekend	Oatfield Race Way	Turlock, CA

Saturday Practice prior to all events from 8am til' 2pm

MOTOWEST RACING

Sat., May29	Hollister Hills	Open Practice
Sun., May30	Hollister Hills	7th Annual Memorial Day MX
Sat., June12	Club Moto	Super Saturday, MX Rnd #5

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Sun., May 23	SRA Grand Prix Glen Helen	San Bernardino, CA
Sun., June 6	LACR	Palmdale, CA
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Fri., May 21	Little Okie Spring Series	Madera, CA
Sat., May 22	Bounty Hunter	Los Banos, CA
Fri., May 28	Little Okie Spring Series	Madera, CA
Sat., May 29	Bounty Hunter	Los Banos, CA
Sat., June 5	Bounty Hunter	Los Banos, CA

Calendar

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AHRMA Western Regional Trials Series
5/23 Fernley, NV
6/6 Santa Cruz, CA
8/21 Chehalis, WA
9/16 Park City, UT
10/16 Hollister, CA
Info: 916/967-0262

AHRMA/Eldorado Cycle Midwest Trials Series
7/25 Kansas City, MO
9/12 Bismark, MO
10/9 White City, IL
10/16 Jonesboro, IL
10/30 Marshfield, MO
Info: 417/859-4158

AHRMA Michigan MX Series
6/6 Buchanan, MI
6/27 Battle Creek, MI
7/11 Midland, MI
7/25 Stanton, MI
8/8 Coldwater, MI
9/6 Millington, MI
9/19 Marlette, MI
10/3 Bloomingdale, MI
10/17 Buchanan, MI
Info: 248/620-1926

AHRMA Vintage MX Series
5/23 Niangua, MO
6/13 Eldorado Springs, MO
9/19 Hawk Point, MO
10/17 Jonesboro, IL
11/7 Greenwood, MO
Info: 816/767-8641

AHRMA VMX Northeast Regional MX Series
6/26 Jolly Roger, NH
7/17 Mexico, NY
8/14 Southwick, MA
9/4 Englishtown, NJ
9/25 Binghamton, NY
10/9 Clifford, PA
10/23 Hawley, PA
Info: 914/429-9465 or www.vintagemx.com

AHRMA VMX Northeast Regional GP Series
6/27 Jolly Roger, NH
9/12 Plymouth, PA
Info: 914/429-9465 or www.vintagemx.com

VDTRA/All-Stars Flat Track Racing Series
5/22-23 Erie, CO
6/11-12 Wichita, KS
6/26 Monett, MO
7/18 Oklahoma City, OK
7/31 Sheridan, WY
8/1 Sheridan, WY
8/9 Stockton, KS
8/10 Stockton, KS
8/12 Sturgis, SD
8/13 Sturgis, SD
8/14 Sturgis, SD
8/27 Spokane, WA
8/28 Spokane, WA
9/4 Casper, WY
9/5 Casper, WY
9/18 Ruidoso, NM
9/19 Ruidoso, NM
Info: 719/541-2741

AMA National Amateur MX Series
Northeast Amateur Regional
6/19-20 Binghamton, NY
Northeast Youth Regional
6/26-27 Auburn, NY
Southeast Amateur Regional
6/12-3 Society Hills, SC
Southeast Youth Regional
6/19-20 Chatsworth, GA
Mideast
5/22-23 Sugar Grove, OH
5/22-23 Leitchfield, KY
Mideast Amateur Regional
6/26-27 Bloomington, MI
Mideast Youth Regional
6/12-13 Millfield, OH
North Central Area Qualifiers
5/22-23 Denmark, WI
North Central Amateur
6/12-13 Lake Geneva, WI
North Central Youth
6/26-27 Lowes, KY
South Central
5/22-23 Stillwater, OK
South Central Amateur
6/19-20 Fort Worth, TX
South Central Youth
6/12-13 Magnolia, AR
Southwest
5/22-23 Cedar City, UT
6/19-20 San Bernardino, CA
Northwest
5/23 Washougal, WA
6/12-13 Washougal, WA
Info: 614/856-1900

NMA Ponca City Grand National MX Qualifiers
Western
6/6 Moreno Valley, CA
6/13 Moreno Valley, CA
Norcal
5/30 Hollister, CA
6/12 Livermore, CA
7/4 Hollister, CA
Arizona
5/22 Cottonwood, AZ
6/5 Eloy, AZ
6/12 Cottonwood, AZ
6/26 Eloy, AZ
Arkansas
5/23 Sallsaw, OK
6/6 Prairie Grove, AR
6/20 Pine Bluff, AR
Blue Grass
6/5 Clarksville, TN
Carolinas
5/23 Society Hill, SC
6/6 Blountville, TN
6/27 Iron Station, NC
Central
5/30 Great Bend, KS
6/13 Great Bend, KS
Cimarron
6/6 Oklahoma City, OK
6/20 Oklahoma City, OK
Dakotas
5/23 Carson, ND
6/6 Beulah, ND
Dixie
6/13 Hammond, LA
6/20 New Iberia, LA
Finger Lakes
5/23 Clifford, PA
6/12-13 Clifford, PA
Iowa
5/30 Yankton, SD
6/5 Truesdale, IA
Nebraska
6/6 Ashland, NE
North Central
5/22-23 Grand Rapids, MI
6/25-26 North Webster, IN
Northwest
6/5-6 Albany, OR
Ohio
5/22 Malvern, OH
6/12 Malvern, OH
6/18 Malvern, OH
Ozark
6/12 Kingsville, MO
6/26 Baxter Springs, MO
7/3 Kingsville, MO
Rocky Mountain
5/30 Brush, CO
6/5-6 Lakewood, CO
6/6 Erie, CO
6/13 Craig, CO
6/20 Colorado Springs, CO
Southwest
5/23 Aztec, NM
6/6 Moriarty, NM
Texas
5/22 Burleson, TX
6/5 Euless, TX
6/12 Lubbock, TX
Viking
5/30 Staples, MN
5/30 Kellogg, MN
5/31 Staples, MN
5/31 Mazeppa, MN
Wyoming
5/30 Casper, WY
6/6 Gillette, WY
6/13 Douglas, WY
North Florida
5/29 Millton, FL
6/6 Panama City, FL
6/20 Panama City, FL
Appalachian
6/13 Brownsville, PA
Alaska
5/29-30 Anchorage, AK
6/12-13 Soldotna, AK
Midwest
5/30 Byron, IL
6/13 Coal Valley, IL
6/27 Byron, IL
Info: 562/868-8112

Mid-South Summer Hare Scrambles Series
5/30 New Johnsonville, TN
6/6 Jonesboro, IL
6/13 Hohenwald, TN
6/27 Westpoint, TN
8/29 Saddleback East, KY
Info: 615/859-0873

Mid-East Hare Scrambles Series
6/13 Greer, SC
7/18 Cross Anchor, SC
8/22 Boonville, NC
9/19 Greer, SC
10/3 Belwood, NC
10/31 Morganton, NC
11/7 Grover, NC
Info: 704/937-9177 or 704/484-9000

Best In The Desert Racing Association Silver State Series
6/25-27 Mesquite, NV, Rnd 3
9/30-10/3 Las Vegas, NV, Rnd 4
12/3-5 Pahrump, NV, Rnd 5
Info: 702/457-5775 or http://www.bitd.com

District 36 Northern California Enduro Series
6/13 Long Barn, CA, Rnd 5
10/17 Stonyford, CA, Rnd 6
10/24 Elkins Flat, CA, Rnd 7
10/31 Redding, CA, Rnd 8
11/6 Upper Lake, CA, Rnd 9
11/14 Stonyford, CA, Rnd 10
Info: 925/458-9867

District 36 Family Enduro Series
11/7 Foresthill, CA, Rnd 2
11/21 Springs, CA, Rnd 3
Info: 925/458-9867

Mid-Atlantic Vintage Trials
6/6 Monrovia, MD
8/7 Toronto, OH
9/12 Lock Haven, PA
10/3 Williamsport, PA
10/30 Middletown, PA
Info: 410/775-7209

100cc Vintage Flat Track Club Series
6/12 Thornville, OH
6/25 Lawrenceburg, IN
7/10 Thornville, OH
7/23 Lawrenceburg, IN
8/14 Thornville, OH
9/18 Thornville, OH
9/25 Thornville, OH
10/2 Thornville, OH
10/16 Thornville, OH
Info: 740/929-4229

STRA Championship Series
6/5-6 Resaca, GA
8/7-8 Shooting Creek, NC
9/11-12 Gadsden, AL
10/2-3 Dickson, TN
10/9-10 Monroe, GA
10/23-24 Sequatchie, TN
11/6-7 Clermont, GA
12/4-5 Millerville, AL
http://www.avana.net/~japi/stra/index.html

KORR Hare Scrambles Series
9/12 Wichita, KS
10/3 Sterling, KS
11/14 Marion, KS
11/21 Wichita, KS
Info: 316/942-6527

KORR Spring MX Series
6/5 Wichita, KS
6/6 Inman, KS
6/20 Marion, KS
6/27 Sterling, KS
Info: 316/942-6527

KORR Fall Motocross Series
7/10 Wichita, KS
7/11 Marion, KS
8/8 Sterling, KS
8/29 Wichita, KS
9/11 Wichita, KS
9/19 Marion, KS
9/26 Inman, KS
10/10 Wichita, KS
10/24 Marion, KS
11/7 Beaver, KS
12/12 Sterling, KS
Info: 316/942-6527

CMC Spring Classic MX Nationals
South
5/23 San Jacinto, CA, Rnd 2
5/30 Piru, CA, Rnd 3
6/13 Piru, CA, Rnd 4
North
5/30 Hollister, CA, Rnd 3
6/6 Carson City, NV, Rnd 4
Final Showdown
6/20 Piru, CA
Info: 949/367-1141

CMC Pac-West MX Nationals
6/5 Albany, OR, Rnd 1
6/6 Albany, OR, Rnd 2
6/19 Ethel, WA, Rnd 3
6/20 Ethel, WA, Rnd 4
6/26 Richland, WA, Rnd 5
6/27 Richland, WA, Rnd 6
7/10 Yakima, WA, Rnd 7
7/11 Yakima, WA, Rnd 8
Info: 949/367-1141

CMC Trans-Cal MX Nationals
South
8/29 Devore, CA, Rnd 1
9/26 Victorville, CA, Rnd 2
10/3 Palmdale, CA, Rnd 3
10/17 Piru, CA, Rnd 4
North
8/15 Carson City, NV, Rnd 1
8/21 Marysville, CA, Rnd 2
8/29 Hollister, CA, Rnd 3
9/12 Livermore, CA, Rnd 4

Pacific Northwest
8/28 Albany, OR, Rnd 1
8/29 Albany, OR, Rnd 2

Final Showdown
10/23-24 Marysville, CA
Info: 949/367-1141

KTMXA Motocross Series
5/23 Milan, TN
6/12 Draffenville, KY
6/18 Murray, KY
7/3 Atwood, TN
7/10 Draffenville, KY
7/17 Atwood, TN
8/7 Atwood, TN
8/22 Dyersburg, TN
8/29 White Plains, KY
9/4 Paris, TN
9/18 Paris, TN
9/26 Draffenville, KY
10/2 Paris, TN
10/10 Draffenville, KY
10/16 Murray, KY
10/24 Milan, TN
10/31 White Plains, KY
Info: 901/642-0511

International Old-Timers Motocross Series
5/29-30 Richland, WA, Rnd 4
6/19-20 Boise, ID, Rnd 5
7/3-4 Bellingham, WA, Rnd 6
7/24-25 Albany, OR, Rnd 7
9/4-5 Fernley, NV, Rnd 8
9/18-19 Edmonton, AB, Canada, Rnd 9
10/23-24 Lake Elsinore, CA, Rnd 10
TBA Las Vegas, NV, Rnd 11
Info: 253/840-0466 or
www.seanet.com/~russr

Women's MX League Series
6/19 Budds Creek, MD
6/27 Mammoth, CA
7/31 Washougal, WA
8/2-7 Nashville, TN
8/28 Binghamton, NY
Info: 949/837-2206

North American Sport Bike Series
5/22-23 Summit Point, WV
8/14-15 Topeka, KS
9/4-5 Loudon, NH
10/22-24 Daytona Beach, FL
Info: 828/684-4297

Formula USA Road Race Series
7/17-18 Portland, OR
8/27-29 Long Pond, PA
Info: 530/582-1061

AMP/GFI Spring MX Series
5/23 Hollister, CA, Rnd 5
5/30 Turlock, CA, Rnd 6
Info: 209/656-9682

GFI Memorial Day Extravaganza
5/31 Perris, CA
Info: 909/653-4042

GFI Night MX Series
5/29 Moreno Valley, CA
6/5 Moreno Valley, CA
6/12 San Bernardino, CA
6/19 Moreno Valley, CA
7/10 San Bernardino, CA
7/17 San Bernardino, CA
7/24 San Bernardino, CA
8/14 Moreno Valley, CA
8/21 San Bernardino, CA
8/28 Moreno Valley, CA
Info: 909/653-4042

GFI/Team Green Youth Nationals
7/3 San Bernardino, CA
7/4 San Bernardino, CA
Info: 909/653-4042

GFI Elsinore Grand Prix
11/13 Lake Elsinore, CA
11/14 Lake Elsinore, CA
Info: 909/653-4042

GFI Fall Motocross Series
9/12 Perris, CA
9/19 Moreno Valley, CA
9/26 San Bernardino, CA
10/10 Lake Elsinore, CA
10/24 San Bernardino, CA
Info: 909/653-4042

Northwest Regional MX Series
5/23 Fernley, NV, Rnd 5
6/13 Phillipsville, CA, Rnd 6
6/27 Eugene, OR, Rnd 7
7/18 Carson City, CA, Rnd 8
8/22 Chehalis, WA, Rnd 9
10/3 Madras, OR, Rnd 10
10/17 Hollister, CA, Rnd 11
11/7 Tulare, CA, Rnd 12
Info: 408/663-4014

NMA Ponca City Grand National MX Championship
7/27-31 Ponca City, OK
Info: 562/868-8112

Branson USA MX Championship
10/1-3 Branson, MO
Info: 909/657-6834

La Playa MX Grand Prix Series
8/22 Rosarito, BC, Mexico, Rnd 3
10/3 Rosarito, BC, Mexico, Rnd 4
12/5 Rosarito, BC, Mexico, Rnd 5
Info: 011/52-661-22525 or
www.toomuchfun.com.mx

WERA National Endurance Road Race Series
5/29 Hampton, GA, Rnd 3
6/12 Faulkville, GA, Rnd 4
6/26 Clermont, IN, Rnd 5
7/31 Summit Point, WV, Rnd 6
8/14 Kershaw, SC, Rnd 7
9/4 Millington, TN, Rnd 8
9/19 College Station, TX, Rnd 9
9/25-26 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 10
TBA Braselton, GA, Rnd 11
Info: 770/924-8404

WERA National Challenge Road Race Series
5/28-30 Hampton, GA, Rnd 3
6/11-13 Faulkville, GA, Rnd 4
6/24-27 Clermont, IN, Rnd 5
7/30-8/1 Summit Point, WV, Rnd 6
8/13-15 Kershaw, SC, Rnd 7
9/3-5 Millington, TN, Rnd 8
9/17-19 College Station, TX, Rnd 9
Info: 770/924-8404

WERA Vintage Road Race Series
5/22-23 Mount Meridian, IN
6/12-13 Grattan, MI
6/19-20 Summit Point, WV**
6/24-27 Indianapolis, IN**
7/3-4 Garrettsville, OH
7/10-11 Braselton, GA**
7/24-25 Kershaw, SC
7/24-25 Mount Meridian, IN**
8/7-8 Faulkville, GA
8/7-8 South Haven, MI**
8/14-15 Garrettsville, OH
8/21-22 Talladega, AL
8/28-29 Summit Point, WV
9/4-5 Garrettsville, OH**
9/18-19 Faulkville, GA
9/25-26 Mount Meridian, IN
10/6-10 Braselton, GA**
**double points event
Info: 770/924-8404

WERA Sportsman Road Race Series
North Central
5/22-23 Mount Meridian, IN
6/5-6 Madison, IL
6/12-13 Grattan, MI
6/24-27 Indianapolis, IN
7/10-11 Grattan, MI
7/24-25 Mount Meridian, IN
8/7-8 South Haven, MI
8/21-22 Mount Meridian, IN
9/4-5 Garrettsville, OH
9/25-26 Mount Meridian, IN

Northeast
6/5-6 Garrettsville, OH
6/19-20 Summit Point, WV
6/24-27 Indianapolis, IN
7/24-25 Kershaw, SC
7/30-8/1 Summit Point, WV
8/14-15 Garrettsville, OH
8/28-29 Summit Point, WV
9/4-5 Garrettsville, OH

Mid-Central
5/22-23 Talladega, AL
5/29-30 Hallett, OK
6/5-6 Madison, IL
6/24-27 Indianapolis, IN
7/10-11 Braselton, GA
8/21-22 Hallet, OK
9/3-5 Millington, TN
9/25-26 Mount Meridian, IN

South Central
5/29-30 Hallett, OK
6/24-27 Indianapolis, IN
6/26-27 Henderson, TX
7/17-18 College Station, TX
8/21-22 Hallett, OK
9/17-19 College Station, TX

Southeast
5/22-23 Talladega, AL
5/28-30 Hampton, GA
6/11-13 Faulkville, GA
6/24-27 Indianapolis, IN
7/10-11 Braselton, GA
7/24-25 Kershaw, SC
8/7-8 Faulkville, GA
8/13-15 Kershaw, SC
8/21-22 Talladega, AL
9/18-19 Faulkville, GA
Info: 770/924-8404

NETRA C'ship Enduro Series
5/30 Assonet, MA
6/6 Wrentham, MA
6/13 Somers, CT
7/18 Oxford, MA
8/1 West Greenwich, RI
8/8 West Granville, MA
9/19 Windsor, MA
10/17 Chester, CT
10/31 Brimfield, MA
11/7 West Stafford, CT
11/14 Central Village, CT
Info: 860/875-5757

NETRA Championship Hare Scrambles Series
5/23 Burriville, RI
6/20 Thomaston, CT
6/27 Union, CT
7/4 Chelsea, VT
7/11 Windsor, MA
8/22 Union, CT
9/5 Uxbridge, MA
10/3 Sterling, CT
10/10 Assonet, MA
Info: 860/875-5757

NETRA Turkey Run Series
6/12-13 Loudon, NH
7/11 West Greenwich, RI
8/15 Chelsea, VT
9/12 North Haverhill, NH
9/26 Wrentham, MA
10/10 Winchendon, MA
10/24 Central Village, CT
Info: 860/875-5757

NETRA Championship Junior Enduro Series
5/22 Burriville, RI
6/19 Thomaston, CT
6/26 Union, CT
7/10 Windsor, MA
7/24 Southampton, MA
8/21 Union, CT
9/11 Mariden, CT
10/9 Assonet, MA
10/16 New Ashford, MA
10/30 Brimfield, MA
11/6 Winchendon, MA
Info: 860/875-5757

Carolina Ultra Series
5/22-23 Society Hill, SC
5/30 Iron Station, NC
6/27 Iron Station, NC
8/29 Iron Station, NC
9/19 Danville, VA
10/30-31 Society Hill, SC
Info: 423/323-5497

Rocky Mountain Enduro Circuit Series
5/30 Limon, CO
6/13 Buena Vista, CO
6/27 Upton, WY
7/18 Rand, CO
8/1 Espanola, NM
8/22 Del Norte, CO
9/12 Cloudcroft, NM
11/14 Matador, TX
Info: 307/742-4136

Missouri State Motocross Championship Series
7/10 Kingsville, MO
7/18 Grain Valley, MO
7/31 Billings, MO
8/15 Moberly, MO
9/6 Hawk Point, MO
9/19 Springfield, MO
10/10 Merwin, MO
10/24 Columbia, MO
Info: 417/887-3524

Missouri Hare Scrambles Championship Series
6/6 Florence, MO
6/13 Fairfax, MO
6/26-27 Park Hills, MO
7/11 Tebbetts, MO
7/17-18 Kahoka, MO
7/25 Knob Noster, MO
8/8 Cole Camp, MO
8/22 Lebanon, MO
9/19 Smithville, MO
10/10 Festus, MO
Info: 417/537-8406

Arkansas MX Spring Series
5/23 Donaldson, AR
Info: 870/342-5162 or 870/342-5373

Michigan State Fair Supercross Series
6/12 Hudsonville, MI
6/26 Muskegon, MI
7/9 Muskegon, MI
7/13 Onnekema, MI
7/17 Charlotte, MI
7/20 Marne, MI
7/22 Hastings, MI
7/25 Sandusky, MI
7/29 Holland, MI
7/30 Ionia, MI
8/10 Coldwater, MI
8/20 Marshall, MI
8/24 Ludington, MI
8/27 Hudsonville, MI
9/18 Muskegon, MI
9/20 Centerville, MI
Info: 616/924-5778

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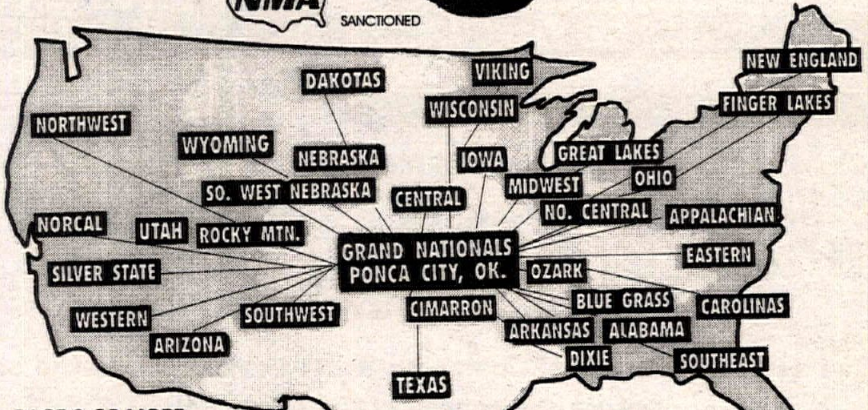

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5-8 Livermore, Ca
5-30 Hollister, Ca
6-12 Livermore, Ca
7-4 Hollister, Ca

ARIZONA - Dan Matthews
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5-15 Whitman, Az
5-16 Whitman, Az
5-22 Cottonwood, Az
6-5 Eloy, Az
6-12 Cottonwood, Az
6-26 Eloy, Az

ARKANSAS - Mike Lorenz
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5-23 Sallisaw, Ok
6-6 Prairie Grove, Ar
6-20 Pine Bluff, Ar

BLUE GRASS - Steve Ezell
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5-16 White Plains, Ky
6-5 Clarksville, Tn

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5-16 Chesterfield, SC
5-23 Society Hill, SC
6-6 Blountville, Tn
6-27 Iron Station, NC

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5-2 Mt. Morris, Pa
5-16 Delmont, Pa
6-13 Brownsville, Pa

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5-9 Concordia, Ks
5-16 Lyndon, Ks
5-30 Great Bend, Ks
6-13 Great Bend, Ks

CIMARRON - Neal Reid
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4-25 Elk City, Ok
6-6 Ok. City, Ok
6-20 Ok. City, Ok

DAKOTAS - Monte Barnes
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5-2 Dickinson, ND
5-9 Bismarck, ND
5-23 Carson, ND
6-6 Beulah, ND

DIXIE - Mike Shea
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5-16 New Iberia, La
6-13 Hammond, La
6-20 New Iberia, La

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5-9 Clifford, Pa
5-16 Binghamton, NY
5-23 Clifford, Pa
6-12 Clifford, Pa
6-13 Clifford, Pa

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5-15 Milton, Fl
5-29 Milton, Fl
6-6 Panama City, Fl
6-20 Panama City, Fl

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5-16 Ashland, Ne
6-6 Ashland, Ne

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5-23 Grand Rapids, Mi
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6-6 Lakewood, Co
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5-9 Tularosa, NM
5-16 Moriarty, NM
5-23 Aztec, NM
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4-24 Houston, Tx
5-1 Ft. Worth, Tx
5-22 Burleson, Tx
6-5 Euless, Tx
6-12 Lubbock, Tx

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4-24 Ogden, Ut
4-25 Ogden, Ut
5-15 Rk. Sprgs, Wy
5-16 Rk. Sprgs, Wy

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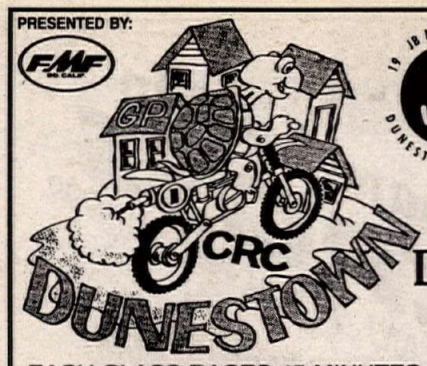

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Missouri-Illinois Trials Association
5/30 Livingston, IL
6/13 Festus, MO
8/29 Litchfield, IL
9/12 Bismarck, MO
10/10 White City, IL
11/7 Oakdale, IL
Info: 618/362-6568

CMRRA 50cc/125cc C'ship Road Race Series
6/5-6 Rosamond, CA
7/11 Palomar, CA
8/8 Riverside, CA
9/4-5 Rosamond, CA
10/3 Palomar, CA
11/6-7 Rosamond, CA
12/3-5 Rosamond, CA
Info: 909/674-5357

WSMC Road Race Series
6/19-20 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 6
7/17-18 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 7
8/14-15 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 8
9/18-19 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 9
10/16-17 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 10
11/20-21 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 11
12/18-19 Rosamond, CA, Rnd 12
Info: 805/256-1234

Great River Road Raceway MX Series
7/31 Dyersburg, TN
8/8 Dyersburg, TN
Info: 901/286-6565 or http://www.flybynite.com

West Coast Flat Track Series
6/12 Perris, CA
6/26 San Jose, CA
7/17 Watsonville, CA
Info: 714/529-6054

West Coast Vintage Flat Track Series
6/13 Temecula, CA
6/26 Ventura, CA
9/19 Sacramento, CA
Info: 661/268-0105

Galpin Ford Dual Sport Adventure Series
6/5-6 Lake Isabella, CA, Rnd 4
7/4-9 Redding, CA, Rnd 5
10/8-10 Mammoth Mountain, CA, Rnd 6
10/23-24 Hot Springs, CA, Rnd 7
11/21 Newhall, CA, Rnd 8
Info: 818/701-1913

Desert Challenge Bikes & ATV Series
5/30 Holbrook, AZ
7/4 Cinders, AZ
9/5 Snowflake, AZ
10/17 Sierra Vista, AZ
11/21 Globe, AZ
Info: 602/971-3730

Georgia MX Spring Series
5/30 Monroe, GA
6/6 Macon, GA
Info: 912/475-5711

Trials Incorporated Championship Trials Series
6/5-6 Dayton, OH
7/31-8/1 Carrollton, KY
9/18-19 Columbus, IN
10/3 Attica, IN
11/6-7 TBA
Info: 937/299-1501

American Trials Association
6/13-14 Big Bear, CA
Info: 714/562-7742

STTARS Super TT American Racing Series
Triple Crown National Championship
7/17-18 Portland, OR
8/14-15 Donner Summit, CA
12/4-5 Long Beach, CA
Northeast
6/19-20 Loudon, NH
8/28-29 Pocono, PA
Northwest
6/12-13 Bremerton, WA
7/17-18 Portland, OR
8/14-15 Donner Summit, CA
9/5 Hermiston, OR
Southwest
5/22 Bakersfield, CA
5/23 Buttonwillow, CA
6/5-6 Rosamond, CA
6/26 Bakersfield, CA
8/14-15 Donner Summit, CA
12/4-5 Long Beach, CA
12/12 Buttonwillow, CA
Info: 949/768-4626 or www.supertt.com

USCRA Vintage Series
6/13 Belknap, NH
6/14 Loudon, NH
6/19-20 Loudon, NH
7/23-25 Shubenacadie, NS, Canada
8/13-15 Loudon, NH
8/20-22 Mosport, ON, Canada
9/6 Loudon, NH
9/27 Loudon, NH
Info: 603/226-5858 or uscra@aol.com

USRA Desert Series
5/22 Jericho, UT
6/19 Wells, NV
7/21 TBA
8/11 Jericho, UT
8/25 TBA
10/9 Wendover, UT
11/6 Grand Junction, CO
Info: 801/569-1998

CCS/Florida State Motorcycle Roadracing Championship
5/30-31 West Palm Beach, FL
6/26-27 Homestead, FL
7/24-25 West Palm Beach, FL
8/21-22 West Palm Beach, FL
9/25-26 West Palm Beach, FL
12/4-5 Homestead, FL*
*double points
Info: 828/684-4297 or www.ccsracing.com

CCS/Mid-American Motorcycle Roadracing Championship
5/22-23 South Beloit, IL
6/12-13 South Beloit, IL
7/10-11 South Beloit, IL
7/31-8/1 South Beloit, IL
8/14-15 Topeka, KS**
9/25-26 South Beloit, IL*
*double points
**twin sprint weekend
Info: 828/684-4297 or www.ccsracing.com

CCS/Mid-Atlantic Motorcycle Roadracing Championship
5/22-23 Summit Point, WV
5/29-30 Bloomingdale, GA
6/12-13 Kershaw, SC**
6/26-27 Bloomingdale, GA
7/10-11 Summit Point, WV
7/24-25 Bloomingdale, GA
9/4-5 Bloomingdale, GA
9/18-19 Summit Point, WV
11/6-7 Kershaw, SC*
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CCS/New England Motorcycle Roadracing Championship
6/12-13 Loudon, NH
7/17-18 Loudon, NH
8/7-8 Loudon, NH
9/4-5 Loudon, NH
10/2-3 Loudon, NH
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CCS/Southeastern U.S. Motorcycle Roadracing Championship
5/29-30 Bloomingdale, GA
6/12-13 Kershaw, SC**
6/26-27 Bloomingdale, GA
7/24-25 Bloomingdale, GA
9/4-5 Bloomingdale, GA
11/6-7 Kershaw, SC*
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CCS/Southwestern U.S. Motorcycle Roadracing Championship
6/5-6 Chandler, AZ
9/4-5 Chandler, AZ
10/9-10 Chandler, AZ
11/6-7 Buttonwillow, CA**
12/4-5 Chandler, AZ*
*double points
**twin sprint weekend
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CCS Race of Champions National Championship Finals
10/21-24 Daytona Beach, FL

North American Sport Bike Series
5/22-23 Summit Point, WV
8/14-15 Topeka, KS
9/4-5 Loudon, NH
10/21-24 Daytona Beach, FL
Info: 828/684-4297

SRAC/Mazda Motocross Series
6/5-6 Lakewood, CO
6/13 Colorado Springs, CO
6/20 Colorado Springs, CO
6/27 Colorado Springs, CO
7/11 Berthoud, CO
7/25 Cheyenne, WY
8/1 Colorado Springs, CO
8/15 Berthoud, CO
8/22 Pueblo, CO
9/12 Cheyenne, WY
9/19 Colorado Springs, CO
Info: 307/638-2226

SRAC/Mazda SX Series
5/22 Grand Junction, CO
7/17 Colorado Springs, CO
8/7 Grand Junction, CO
8/28 TBA
Info: 307/638-2226

Sunshine State Motocross Championship Series
5/23 Orlando, FL
5/30 Dade City, FL
6/6 Ona, FL
6/27 Ocala, FL
7/4 Orlando, FL
7/11 Reddick, FL
7/18 Dade City, FL
7/25 Ona, FL
8/15 Ocala, FL
8/22 Orlando, FL
8/29 Reddick, FL
9/5 Dade City, FL
9/12 Ona, FL
Info: 352/242-2605

KB Racing Promotions NorCal Championship MX Series
5/28 Sacramento, CA*
6/11 Sacramento, CA*
6/25 Sacramento, CA*
7/9 Sacramento, CA*
7/23 Sacramento, CA**
8/13 Sacramento, CA**
8/27 Sacramento, CA**
9/10 Sacramento, CA**
9/24 Sacramento, CA**
10/8 Sacramento, CA**
10/22 Sacramento, CA
* spring series round
** fall series round
Info: 916/682-6123 or www.jps.net/kbracing

CMRA Endurance Road Racing Series
6/4-6 Hallett, OK
6/19-20 Henderson, TX
7/17-18 College Station, TX
8/21-22 Hallett, OK
9/17-19 College Station, TX
Info: 281/342-9032

CMRA Road Racing Series
6/11-13 Calgary, AB, Canada, Rnd 2
7/24-25 Calgary, AB, Canada, Rnd 3
8/21-22 Calgary, AB, Canada, Rnd 4
9/4-5 Calgary, AB, Canada, Rnd 5
Info: 403/272-7223

Southeastern Mini Roadracing Association Series
6/13 Concord, NC
9/9 Concord, NC
10/17 Concord, NC
11/17 Concord, NC
Info: 704/932-6179 or 704/784-1767

MRAN Desert Series
5/22 Alamo, NV
6/12-13 Caliente, NV
7/17 Ely, NV
8/14 Panaca, NV
9/18-19 Tonopah, NV
10/16-17 Jean, NV
10/30-31 Mercury, NV
11/20-21 Searchlight, NV
Info: 702/437-MRAN

Southern California Flat Track C'ship Series
6/13 Temecula, CA
7/11 Costa Mesa, CA
7/24 Temecula, CA
8/21 Temecula, CA
9/18 Temecula, CA
10/9 Del Mar, CA
10/23 Temecula, CA
11/21 Temecula, CA
Info: 619/277-1591

District 3 Eastern New York Sports Committee Dirt Track
5/22 Harpursville, NY
5/23 Schenectady, NY
6/6 Schenectady, NY
6/12 Harpursville, NY
6/26 Accord, NY
7/17 Harpursville, NY
7/18 Schenectady, NY
7/24 Accord, NY
8/2 Schenectady, NY
8/7 Accord, NY
8/14 Harpursville, NY
8/22 Schenectady, NY
8/28 Accord, NY
9/4 Accord, NY
9/12 Schenectady, NY
9/18 Harpursville, NY
9/25 Harpursville, NY
9/26 Schenectady, NY
10/3 Harpursville, NY
10/10 Schenectady, NY
Info: 607/693-1031

Honda Hills
Outlaw Short Track Series

6/12 Thornville, OH
7/10 Thornville, OH
8/14 Thornville, OH
9/18 Thornville, OH
9/25 Thornville, OH
10/2 Thornville,OH
10/16 Thornville, OH
Info: 740/323-3766

Southern Illinois
Hare Scrambles Series

6/6 Jonesboro, IL
9/12 Fosterburg, IL
9/19 Jonesboro, IL
10/3 Belleville, IL
10/31 White City, IL
Info: 618/235-4777

Virginia Championship
Hare Scrambles Series

5/30 Ivor, VA
6/6 Glade Hill, VA
6/27 Pulaski, VA
8/15 Wytheville, VA
8/22 Danville, VA
9/19 Middlebrook, VA
9/26 Martinsville, VA
10/10 Newport News, VA
10/24 Dillwyn, VA
11/7 Surry, VA
Info: 757/255-4620 or 540/980-0591

ECEA C'ship Enduro Series

5/30 New Philadelphia, PA
6/6 Rawlings, MD
6/13 Stanhope, NJ
6/27 Webb Mills, NY
7/18 Blain, PA
7/25 Crossforks, PA
8/1 West Greenwich, RI
8/8 Middlebury Center, PA
8/15 Speedsville, NY
8/29 Mauricetown, NJ
9/12 Shippensburg, PA
9/19 Brandonville, PA
9/26 New Lisbon, NJ
10/24 New Gretna, NJ
10/31 Delaware City, DE
Info: 717/865-0601

ECEA Championship
Hare Scrambles Series

5/23 Woodland Township, NJ
10/3 Belle Plain, NJ
10/10 Budds Creek, MD
10/17 Mauricetown, NJ
11/7 Warren Grove, NJ
11/14 New Lisbon, NJ
Info: 717/865-0601

ECEA Dual Sport Series

6/20 Brandonville, PA
10/10 Indian Mills, NJ
11/21 Belle Plain, NJ
Info: 717/865-0601

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May 20-23

WEST VIRGINIA MOTORCYCLE MEET - CBX International Owners Association, ICOA East Coast National Meet, Marlington Motor Inn, Marlington. Info: 570/288-5600 or http://www.cbxclub.com.

Fri, May 21

CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, FIM World C'ship Qualifier, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223 or http://speedwaybikes.com.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMA, Little Okie Spring Series, Madera. Info: 559/673-8080.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, Milan Cycle City, night race, Milan. Info: 734/439-7735 or 734/241-1600.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Broken Spokes Raceway, New Philadelphia. Info: 330/339-9265.

OHIO SPEEDWAY - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, night race. Info: 513/662-7759.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA Stadium MX, Ron & Brian's Suzuki Night, Suzuki contingency, Lake Geneva Raceway, Bloomfield Road, Lake Geneva. Info: 815/337-0864.

May 22-23

CALIFORNIA DUAL SPORT - Sheetiron 300, Oakland Motorcycle Club, AMA, Stonyford Rodeo Grounds, Stonyford. Info: 925/229-1980 or 925/229-9134.

CALIFORNIA MINI ROAD RACE - Northern California Mini Road Racing Association, Prairie City SVRA, Sacramento. Info: 916/722-5517 or ncmrra@aol.com.

GEORGIA DIRT TRACK - Southern DT Series, Checkered Flag Speedway, Short Track, GFTL, Danielsville. Info: 770/962-7888 or 339-3997.

MICHIGAN ROAD RACE - Great Lakes Road Racing Association, Rnd 3, Grattan. http://www.glrra.com/schedule.htm.

MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - NMA North Central qualifier, Mopa Clubgrounds, Grand Rapids. Info: 616/554-8071.

OHIO TRAIL RIDE - Buckeye Dual Sporters, McArthur. Info: 740/380-3050.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - AMA, area qualifier for Lorreta Lynn's, Cooperland Raceway, Stillwater. Info: 405/743-1515 or www.cooperland.com.

* SOUTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Victory Sports, AMA Carolina Ultra Series, Rnd 6, Camp Coker Motorsports Park, Society Hills. Info: 423/323-5497 or wwwvictory-sports.com.

* SOUTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Pro-Am Series, Victory Sports, AMA, United States Mega Series, Camp Coker Motorsport Park, Society Hills. Info: 423/323-5497 or wwwvictory-sports.com.

* UTAH MOTOCROSS - Loretta Lynn's qualifier, AMA, MX Sport Promoter, Cedar City. Info: 435/559-RACE or tanner@inxsnet.com.

Sat, May 22

* ALABAMA MOTOCROSS - North-South Shootout, AMA, Kilpatrick Motocross, Albertville. Info: 256/561-3495.

* ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - CMC Copperstate Classic Stadiumcross, Arizona State Fairgrounds, Phoenix. Info: 602/272-1782.

ARKANSAS MOTOCROSS - Cleburn County Speedway, Heber Springs. Info: 501/362-6325.

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - International Speedway, Youth Minicycle Series, Rnd 1, Celebrity XR Death Match, Orange County Speedway, Costa Mesa. Info: 949/492-9933 or www.cmspeedway.com.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - REM, Saturday MX, Glen Helen, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMC, Marysville Motocross, night race, Riverfront Park, Marysville. Info: 530/695-2727 or http://marysvillemx.com.

CALIFORNIA SHORT TRACK - Lodi MC, AMA, District 36, Lodi Cycle Bowl, Lodi. Info: 209/833-0639 or 209/368-7182.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMXR, Sherpa Motorsports Series, Rnd 4, Mini Day, Carlsbad. Info: 888/550-MOTO or www.carlsbadmx.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - WestCoast Motorsports, Starwest Spring Series, Starwest MX Park, Moreno Valley. Info: 909/657-8845 or 909/943-4535.

* CALIFORNIA SUPER TT - STTARS Super TT, American Racing Series, Southwest, Rnd 5, Mesa Marin Speedway, Bakersfield. Info: 949/768-4626 or www.supertt.com.

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - AMA, CLBENT presents Sideways Saturdays, Cal Expo Arena, Sacramento. Info: 707/678-5961 or http://members.aol.com/sidewaysat.

* COLORADO SUPERCROSS - SRAC/Mazda SX Series, Rnd 3, Extreme Promotions, Grand Junction. Info: 303/988-7722 or 303/989-7436.

COLORADO FLAT TRACK - VDTRA All-Stars Flat Track Racing Series, night race, Erie. Info: 719/541-2741.

GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - Outback Range and Recreation Center, Hazlehurst. Info: 912/375-0765.

GEORGIA MOTOCROSS - Southern Raceway Motocross, Bainbridge. Info: 912/246-3607 or 912/246-5088.

* IDAHO SHORT TRACK - Owyhee Motorcycle Club, OMC Club Grounds, Boise. Info: 208/922-3353.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - Sprout Patch MX, Billings. Info: 417/744-2593.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - CT Spring Series, Rnd 7, night race, Kingsville. Info: 816/779-5020.

* NEW YORK SHORT TRACK - AMA, Square Deal Riders Motorcycle Club, Amateur National, SDR Raceway, Harpursville. Info: 607/722-6195 or 607/693-2634.

* NEW YORK STADIUMCROSS - Frozen Ocean MX Park Inc., Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or www.frozen-ocean.com.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - CRA, Malvern Motocross Park, Hardings Park Cycle Night, Malvern. Info: 330/262-4945.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, Delta Raceway, night track, Delta. Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600.

OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - AMA, area qualifier, Cooperland Raceway, Stillwater. Info: 405/743-1515.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - ARP, Ascot Park, night race, Fort Smith. Info: 501/474-1561.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Pro-Am Sports Inc., Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

PENNSYLVANIA CROSS COUNTRY - Racer Productions Inc., Brownsville Luzerne Park, Brownsville. Info: 304/284-0084.

RHODE ISLAND ENDURO - New England Trail Riders Association, Nervous Novice, Burriville. Info: 860/875-5757.

* TENNESSEE ARENACROSS - Jamestown MX Park, Rnd 6, Jamestown. Info: 931/879-8557 or 879-7459.

* VIRGINIA SHORT TRACK - Virginia Outlaw Series, Lizard Ridge Raceway, Bedford. Info: 540/586-1824 or 540/464-4606.

Sun, May 23

ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - Vintage Motocross, AVDRA Final, Speed World MX Park, Wittman. Info: 602/815-1790 or www.speedworldmx.com.

* ARKANSAS MOTOCROSS - Dirt Bike Mike Promotions, Arkansas Spring Series, Rnd 7, Arkansas Motosports Park, Donaldson. Info: 501/337-4834 or 501/332-8904.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CRC, Dunestown Series, Perris. Info: 805/272-8889.

CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - SRA GP, Glen Helen, San Bernardino. Info: 714/957-2985.

CALIFORNIA ROAD RIDE - second annual Ride The Coast, Santa Ana Auto Mall, Santa Ana. Info: 714/565-1098.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AMP/GFI Spring Series, Hollister Hills GP Track, Rnd 5, Hollister. Info: 209/656-9682.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Cycleland Speedway, Chico. Info: 530/342-0063.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Phillipsville Motocross Spring Series, Phillipsville. Info: 707/943-3029.

CALIFORNIA ROAD RACE - Thunderhill Park, Sierra Sport Bike, Willows. Info: 530/934-5588.

CALIFORNIA HARE SCRAMBLES - Polka Dots MC, District 36, AMA, Mammoth Bar SVRA, Auburn. Info: 916/624-7407 or www.gvn.net/~polkadot.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - SSC Motocross, Castaic Brick Spring MX Nationals, Hungry Valley MX, Gorman. Info: 805/294-0020 or www.sscmx.com.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Over The Hill Gang, SRA GP, Glen Helen, San Bernardino. Info: 562/941-1515.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMMC, Barona Oaks Raceway, Rnd 7, Ramona. Info: 760/752-8252 or www.baronaoaks.com.

* CALIFORNIA SUPER TT - STTARS Super TT, American Racing Series, Southwest, Rnd 6, Buttonwillow Raceway Park, Buttonwillow. Info: 949/768-4626 or www.supertt.com.

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1999 GEORGIA CHAMPIONSHIP MOTOCROSS SERIES CLASSES
50cc Shaft 4-8yrs
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60cc 6-9yrs
60cc 10-11yrs
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85cc 12-15yrs
Super Mini 12-15yrs 85cc-105cc
Youth 80-125cc 12-15yrs
16-24yrs 125cc/250cc amateurs only
125 A
125 B
125 C
250 Open A
250 Open B
250 Open C
+25
+30
+35
+40

Non Series Classes
125 Beginner
250 Beginner
Riders in these classes may carry 50% of points earned in their class if they move up to class after 6 races!
Beginner Classes Are For Beginner Riders Only!

2 DAY EVENT
GEORGIA CHAMPIONSHIP
MAY 29TH & 30TH, 1999
Sign up - 7:00 A.M. - 9:30 A.M. Sign up closes at 9:30 A.M. Sharp.
Riders Meeting - 9:00 A.M.
Practice - 9:30 A.M. - No late practice at all. So please be on time.
1st Moto - 12:00 P.M. Noon

Series Info
No Late Practice
Entry Fees
Gate Fee $8 - under 6 free
Race Fees
$15 Pee Wees
$20 Amateurs
$30 Semi Pro's
GATE FEES SLIGHTLY HIGHER FOR LORETTA LYNN'S QUALIFIERS
- Riders under the age of 18 must have parent or legal guardian or have notarized release to race! THIS HAS BEEN A PROBLEM IN THE PAST AND WILL BE ENFORCED AT ALL RACES!!!
- No medical insurance is available at any of the races, riders must obtain own medical insurance.
- No "A" Riders may ride 16-24 class
- AMA membership required at all events
- AMA Rules Apply
- Bonus Awards at Series Banquet For Riders Who Attend All Races
- OLYMPIC SCORING SYSTEM USED
- RIDERS MUST BE REGISTERED IN 9 OF THE 12 RACES TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR OVERALL SERIES AWARDS!!!
- RESERVE YOUR RACING NUMBER FOR ALL SERIES EVENTS - (912-788-0413) $10 PER CLASS - MONIES RAISED GOES DIRECTLY TO OVERALL SERIES AWARDS.

Practice Order
1. 250
2. 60
3. 125
4. 80
5. 50
1st Moto on Saturday
2nd Moto Sunday morning
1 lap of practice before each moto on Sunday.
Moto's will start at 9:00 a.m. Sunday.

NO WATER AT TRACK AT ALL - COME PREPARED.
Concessions Will Serve Breakfast & Lunch

SEMI-PRO PAY OUT - PER MOTO
If less than 6 - $50, $30, $20
If over 5 but less than 11 - $80, $50, $40, $30, $20
If over 10 but less than 16 - $110, $70, $60, $50, $40, $30, $20
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Celebrity Death Match ..... May 22
NO RACE - Memorial Day ..... May 29
O.C. Harley/Buell MC Blow-Out!!! ..... June 5
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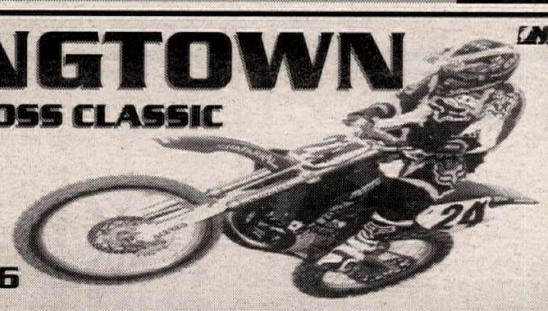

MAY 14-16

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* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMC Sunstar Spring Classic MX Nationals, Rnd 2 South, Competition Park, San Jacinto. Info: 949/367-1141.

COLORADO FLAT TRACK - VDTRA All-Stars Flat Track Racing Series, day race, Erie. Info: 719/541-2741.

COLORADO MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 25, Rocky Mountain Motocross Association, Spring Series, Rnd 7, Two Rivers Racing, Milliken. Info: 303/271-0190 or www.rmxa.com.

* DELAWARE SHORT TRACK - Delaware Motorsports, Seaford Speedway, Seaford. Info: 302/422-8661.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - ProSports USA, Sunshine State MX Championship Series, Orlando MX Park, Orlando. Info: 352/242-2605.

GEORGIA ROAD RIDE - Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation of the United States, Washington. Info: 828/665-6891.

* GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - Wings & Wheels Promotions, Bremen Race Park, Bremen. Info: 770/941-8464 or 770/537-0219 or dirtman23@aol.com.

* GEORGIA MOTOCROSS - CRC Inc., Camden Racing Complex, Woodbine. Info: 912/576-3000.

* ILLINOIS SHORT TRACK - Pekin MC, AMA, District 17, Pekin. Info: 309/697-4413 or dirttrackd17dir@juno.com.

INDIANA HALF-MILE - AMA, Fast Track Racing, Bucks PowerSports, Porter County Fairgrounds, Valparaiso. Info: 219/244-4234.

MARYLAND MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 7, Antietam MC, Howell Road, Hagerstown. Info: 301/797-8686 or 797-1607.

MICHIGAN TRIALS - Bent Fenders, MOTA, AMA, Mount Morris Road, Flushing. Info: 810/238-9100.

* MISSISSIPPI MOTOCROSS - MX 886, second annual Spring Championships, Pontotoc. Info: 601/489-8316.

* MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 18, HLR Motorsports Park, Moberly. Info: 660/263-4296.

MISSOURI ENDURO - BJEC, AMA Missouri Mudders, St. Joe Park, Park Hills. Info: 314/639-6373 or www.blackjackenduro.com.

MONTANA MOTOCROSS - High Country Motorcycle Association, Butte.

* NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS - Cornhusker Motocross Circuit, Friend, NMA qualifier. Info: 308/345-3744.

* NEW MEXICO MOTOCROSS - High Desert Racing Club, AMA, District 45, Aztec. Info: 970/533-9747.

* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - Western New York Motocross Inc., Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or 784-5517 or www.frozen-Ocean.com.

* NORTH CAROLINA HARE SCRAMBLES - Devils Ridge, North Carolina Hare Scrambles Series, Sanford. Info: 919/776-1767.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, Sandusky Valley Riders MC, Tiffin. Info: 419/425-1515 or 734/241-1600.

OHIO POKER RUN - AMA, Dayton Motorcycle Club, Dayton. Info: 937/263-9321 or www.daytonmc.org.

OHIO HILLLCLIMB - AMA Amateur Hillclimb, Pirate Promotions, Big Valley, East Palestine. Info: 330/426-4181.

PENNSYLVANIA CROSS COUNTRY - Racer Productions Inc., Brownsville Luzerne Park, Brownsville. Info: 304/284-0084.

* PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - AMA, Hurricane Hills Sports Center Inc., Rnd 4 Northeast Classic MX Series, Clifford. Info: 570/222-9290 or www.broome-tioga.com.

TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - Fort Campbell Motocross Club, Clarksville. Info: 931/906-5598 or 931/552-3593.

TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - KTMXA, TNT MX Park, Milan. Info: 901/987-9633.

* VIRGINIA MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 13, Virginia State Championship, Action Town USA MX Park, Dillwyn. Info: 804/724-4392.

* WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS - AMA, Loretta Lynn's qualifier and regional race, Washougal MX Park, Washougal. Info: 541/673-1671 or washougalmx.com.

May 28-29

PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Racer Productions Inc., Amateur Day, High Point Raceway, Mount Morris. Info: 304/284-0084.

May 28-30

ILLINOIS SPRINGFIELD MILE - Pistol Racing, The Pistol Gardens, Springfield. Info: 217/527-1251 or 507/334-8243 or rgriz2@aol.com.

Fri, May 28

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, night race, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223 or http://speedwaybikes.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - KB Racing Promotions, night race, Sacramento Raceway Park, Sacramento. Info: 916/682-6123 or www.jps.net/kbracing.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMA, Little Okie Spring Series, Madera. Info: 559/673-8080.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, Milan Cycle City, night race, Milan. Info: 734/439-7735 or 734/241-1600.

NEW YORK MOTORCYCLE DRAG RACING - Orient Express Powersports, Olin's Super Quick only, Mancini Racing, Lebanon Valley Dragway, West Lebanon. Info: 518/794-7130.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - CRA, Wayne County Speedway, Orville. Info: 330/948-4613 or www.waynecountyspeedway.com.

OHIO SPEEDWAY - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, night race. Info: 513/662-7759.

OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Field of Dreams, Okmulgee. Info: 918/758-0793.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA Stadium MX, District 16, Stadium Series, Lake Geneva Raceway, Lake Geneva. Info: 815/337-0864.

May 29-30

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - 7th annual Memorial Day MX Championships, Hollister Hills. Info: 415/587-8678.

* IDAHO MOTOCROSS - Wild West Nationals, Owyhee Motorcycle Club, Boise. Info: 208/922-3353.

WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS - International Old-timers MX, Washington Old-timers. Info: 253/840-0466 or http://www.seanet.com/~russr.

May 29-31

CALIFORNIA ROAD RACE - Thunderhill Park, NW/REG/DBL National, Willows. Info: 530/934-5588.

Sat, May 29

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - REM, Saturday MX, Glen Helen, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - GFI at Night Series, Starwest, Perris. Info: 909/653-4042.

CALIFORNIA POKER RUN - Marin County Motorcycle Association, first annual Gambonini Ranch Poker Run, AMA, District 36, Petaluma. Info: 415/455-5418 or www.xmax.com/mcma.

* FLORIDA SUPERCROSS - Ponca City qualifiers, West Florida Motocross Park, Milton. Info: 850/623-6038.

* INDIANA MOTOCROSS - Steeltown MX Club, Chrisney City Park, Steeltown MX Park, Chrisney. Info: 812/925-8850 or 888/957-RACE.

KANSAS MOTOCROSS - Racers Edge MX, Baxter Springs. Info: 417/833-1574.

* KENTUCKY MOTOCROSS - Daniel Boone MX, night race, London. Info: 606/877-1364 or www.mxaction.com.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 14, Dirt Riders Motorsports, Log Road Motocross, Coldwater. Info: 419/636-5430 or 419/636-7462.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - CT Spring Series, Rnd 8, night race, Kingsville. Info: 816/779-5020.

NEW ENGLAND SHORT TRACK - Norfolk Short Track, Norfolk. Info: 402/887-5380.

* NEW YORK STADIUMCROSS - Frozen Ocean MX Park Inc., Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or www.frozen-ocean.com.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Daniels Ridge MX, Taylorsville. Info: 828/758-4342 or 828/635-8635.

OHIO MOTOCROSS - Dirt Country Raceway, AMA, District 11, Blanchester. Info: 513/625-7350 or 513/625-9987.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, Delta Raceway, night race, Delta. Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - ARP, Ascot Park, night race, Fort Smith. Info: 501/474-1561.

* TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - Jamestown Motocross Park, Rnd 6, Jamestown. Info: 931/879-8557 or 879-7459.

VIRGINIA MOTOCROSS - Powerline Motocross Playground, Spring Challenge '99, Floyd County, Willis. Info: 789-7260 or 789-7640.

May 30-31

CALIFORNIA HARE SCRAMBLES - Shirley Verbiscio Memorial Hare Scrambles, AMA, District 36, Gambonini Ranch, Petaluma, San Rafael. Info: 888/991-5180.

* COLORADO HALF MILE - Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Hugo. Info: 303/452-9929.

* FLORIDA ROAD RACE - CCS, Moroso Motorsports Park, West Palm Beach. Info: 561/793-3394.

* ILLINOIS DIRT TRACK TT - CI MC, AMA, District 17 TT Championship, Neoga. Info: 217/895-2143 or dirttrackd17dir@juno.com.

MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - Baja Acres, Millington. Info: 517/871-3356.

* MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - AMA, Midwest Spring Series, Kahoka. Info: 660/727-3301.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 18, Cycle World, Hawk Point. Info: 314/338-4090.

* NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS - Cornhusker Motocross Circuit, McCook, NMA qualifier. Info: 308/345-3744.

Sun, May 30

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CRC, Dunestown Series, LACR, Palmdale. Info: 805/272-8889.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AMP/GFI Spring Series, Oatfield Raceway, Rnd 6, Turlock. Info: 209/656-9682.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMC, Sunstar Spring Classic MX Nationals, Rnd 3, North, Hollister Hills SVRA, Hollister. Info: 415/587-8678.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Motowest 7th annual Memorial Day MX Championship, Hollister Hills GP Track, Hollister. Info: 415/587-8678.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - NMA, Grand National MX qualifier, Hollister Hills GP Track, Hollister. Info: 415/587-8678.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Super Saturday MX Series, Rnd 5, Hollister. Info: 415/587-8678.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Motowest Racing, NMA, CMC Spring Classic, Hollister Hills GP Track, Hollister. Info: 415/587-8678.

CALIFORNIA HARE SCRAMBLES - third annual Shirley Verbiscio Hare Scrambles, Marin County Motorcycle Association, AMA, District 36, Petaluma. Info: 415/455-5418 or www.xmax.com/mcma.

CANADA TRAIL AND DUAL SPORT - Blair Sharpless & Company, Kawasaki Trail Ride & Dual Sport Series, Jim Kelly Memorial Trail and Dual Sport Ride, Ganaraska Forest, Ontario. Info: 905/666-9734.

COLORADO MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 25, Rocky Mountain Motocross Association, Spring Series, Rnd 8, Sweney Cycle Park, Brush. Info: 303/271-0190 or www.rmxa.com.

* DELAWARE SHORT TRACK - Delaware Motorsports, Seaford Speedway, Seaford. Info: 302/422-8661.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - ProSports USA, Sunshine State MX Championship Series, Dade City Raceway, Dade City. Info: 352/242-2605.

IOWA MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 22, MX Kingdom Inc., Adel Races at Dallas County Fairgrounds, Adel. Info: 515/285-6910.

* KENTUCKY MOTOCROSS - Daniel Boone MX, London. Info: 606/877-1364 or www.mxaction.com.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 14, Dirt Riders Motorsports, Log Road Motocross, Coldwater. Info: 419/636-5430 or 419/636-7462.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - Wide Open Motocross Park, Lebanon. Info: 417/588-9777.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 18, Spring Series, Rnd 5, Midwest Motorsports, Kahoka. Info: 660/727-3301.

* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - Western New York Motocross Inc., Frozen Ocean MX Park, Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or 784-5517 or www.frozen-ocean.com.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Victory Sports, AMA Carolina Ultra Series, Rnd 7, Top Gun MX Park, Iron Station. Info: 423/323-5497 or wwwvictory-sports.com.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - AMA, Districts 13 & 29, Dixieland Motorsports, Elizabeth City MX, Elizabeth City. Info: 757/549-7012 or www.ecmx.com.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Spring Series, AMC, Dirt World Promotions, Montrose MX Park, Raeford. Info: 919/554-4467.

OHIO GRAND PRIX - Motocross Racing Association, Delta Raceway, Delta. Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600 or www.racemra.com.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Sunset Ramblers MC, Galion. Info: 419/562-6931 or 562-7325.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Amherst Meadowlarks MX, CRA Spring Series and Harley Raffle, Amherst. Info: 440/988-3133 or 440/988-9100.

OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Ponca City MX Park, Oklahoma State Series, Rnd 6. Info: 405/722-9498.

* OKLAHOMA CROSS COUNTRY - Oklahoma Cross Country Racing Association, Tulsa Landfill. Info: 405/390-5227 or members.aol.com/occra.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Oklahoma State Championship Series, Rnd 6, Ponca City Motocross Track, Ponca City. Info: 405/751-6616 or bakerboysokc.com.

PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Racer Productions, Pro-MX National, High Point Raceway, Mount Morris. Info: 304/284-0084.

* PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Sleepy Hollow MX Park, Blocker Entertainment, Fredericksburg. Info: 717/273-1180 or 717/865-5530.

SOUTH DAKOTA MOTOCROSS - 16th annual Memorial Day Race, Goat Eyewear, Yankton. Info: 605/665-9121 or 605/665-3512.

TENNESSEE HARE SCRAMBLES - Mid-South Summer Series, New Johnsonville. Info: 615/859-0873.

WASHINGTON ROAD RACE - Future West Promotions, Blaine Airport, Blaine. Info: 604/794-3824.

* WYOMING MOTOCROSS - HPMA, Rnd 5, Casper Dirt Riders, Casper MX Track, Casper. Info: 307/261-3100.

Mon, May 31

CALIFORNIA CYCLE SWAP MEET AND SHOW - Topping Events, Long Beach Veterans Stadium, Long Beach. Info: 714/557-1846.

CALIFORNIA GRAND PRIX - CRC, Dunestown GP, LACR, Palmdale. Info: 805/272-8889.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - GFI Memorial Day Extravaganza, Perris Raceway, Perris. Info: 909/653-4042.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - AMP/GFI Racing Axo Spring Series, Final Round, Memorial Weekend, Oatfield Raceway, Turlock. Info: 209/656-9682.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 18, Spring Series, Rnd 6, Midwest Motorsports, Kahoka. Info: 660/727-3301.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Broken Spokes Raceway, New Philadelphia. Info: 330/339-9265.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Smith Road Raceway, Medina. Info: 330/725-8569.

Fri, June 4

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, night race, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223 or http://speedwaybikes.com.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, Milan Cycle City, MX Drag Racing, night race, Milan. Info: 734/439-7735 or 734/241-1600.

OHIO SPEEDWAY - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, Semi-Pro, night race, Lawrenceburg. Info: 513/662-7759.

OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Field of Dreams, Okmulgee. Info: 918/758-0793.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA Stadium MX, Suzuki contingency, Lake Geneva Raceway, Lake Geneva. Info: 815/337-0864.

June 5-6

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - REM, Saturday MX, Glen Helen, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

CALIFORNIA DUAL SPORT - Galpin Ford Dual Sport Series, Rnd 4, Sequoia Scenic Challenge, Lake Isabella. Info: 818/701-1913.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Phillipsville Motocross Spring Series, Phillipsville. Info: 707/943-3029.

CALIFORNIA ROAD RACE - Thunderhill Park, Green Flag, River City BMRS, Willows. Info: 530/934-5588.

* CALIFORNIA SUPER TT - STTARS Super TT, American Racing Series, Southwest, Rnd 7, Streets of Willow Springs, Rosamond. Info: 949/768-4626 or www.supertt.com.

* COLORADO MOTOCROSS - SRAC/Mazda MX Series, Rnd 1, AMA/Four-Stroke National, Colorado Motosports Promotions, Lakewood. Info: 303/988-7722 or 303/989-7436.

MICHIGAN ROAD RACE - Great Lakes Road Racing Association, Rnd 4, Gingerman. Info: http://www.glrra.com/schedule.htm.

MISSOURI TRAIL RIDE - Midwest Trail Riders Association, Lesterville. Info: 314/434-5095.

NORTH CAROLINA DRAG RACE - AMA, Prostar National Drag Racing Series, Rnd 4, Rockingham. Info: 256/852-1101.

* OHIO HARE SCRAMBLES - CRA, Salem Motorcycle Club Inc., Lisbon. Info: 330/482-2971 or 332-9465.

* OREGON MOTOCROSS - CMC, Pac-West MX Nationals, Rnds 1&2, Albany SX Park, Albany. Info: 541/928-4474.

PENNSYLVANIA TRAIL RIDE - Durty Dabbers, Mill Hall. Info: 717/726-3343.

* TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - Pro-Am Series, Victory Sports, AMA, United States Mega Series, Muddy Creek Raceway, Blountville. Info: 423/323-5497 or wwwvictory-sports.com.

WASHINGTON SCRAMBLES/SHORT TRACK - Vintage Scrambles/Short Track, Dinosaur Daze Tacoma MC, Thurston County ORV, McCleary. Info: 253/537-8692 or tacomaducks@hotmail.com.

Sat, June 5

* ARIZONA MOTOCROSS - NMA qualifier, night race, Go Huge Racing Promotions, Ocotillo Raceway, Eloy. Info: 520/743-7727 or www.gohuge.com.

ARKANSAS SPEEDWAY - Cleburn County Speedway, Heber Springs. Info: 501/362-6325.

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - International Speedway, Harley Blow-Out, Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info: 949/492-9933 or www.cmspeedway.com.

CALIFORNIA SHORT TRACK - Lodi MC, AMA, District 36, Lodi Cycle Bowl, Lodi. Info: 209/833-0639 or 209/368-7182.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMXR, Sherpa Motorsports Series, Rnd 5, Bomber Day, Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad. Info: 888/550-MOTO or www.carlsbadmx.com.

* CALIFORNIA TT - Open Traction, Fasttrack Enterprizes, Barona Speedway Park, Ramona. Info: 619/530-2174 or www.baronaspeedway.com.

FLORIDA SHORT TRACK - Orange County Raceway, FDTRA Series, Orlando. Info: 407/869-5388 or 407/381-4001.

* FLORIDA SUPERCROSS - Ponca City qualifiers, night race, West Florida MX Park, Milton. Info: 850/623-6038.

* IDAHO SHORT TRACK - Owyhee Motorcycle Club, OMC Club Grounds, Boise. Info: 208/922-3353.

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IOWA MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 22, MX Kingdom Inc., Adel Races at Dallas County Fairgrounds, Adel. Info: 515/285-6910.

KANSAS MOTOCROSS - KORR MX Spring Series, Rnd 6, Whoopmaster Jeeps, Wichita. Info: 316/684-7400.

* KENTUCKY TT - Paducah Dirt Riders, County Park Lane, Paducah. Info: 502/444-6438.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - Sprout Patch MX, Billings. Info: 417/744-2593.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - CT Summer Series, Rnd 1, Challenge Trax, Kingsville. Info: 816/779-5020.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, Delta Raceway, night race, Delta. Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600.

OHIO MOTORCYCLE RUN - District 12 of Ohio Motorcycle Association Inc., Glass City Loto Run, Freemont. Info: 419/666-8413.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - ARP, Ascot Park, night race, Fort Smith. Info: 501/474-1561.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - Gold Cup Challenge, Kawasaki and Pro-Am Sports, Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

* PENNSYLVANIA SHORT TRACK - AMA, Armin Hostetter Trail-Way Speedway, Hanover. Info: 717/359-4310 or www.trail-wayspeedway.com.

PENNSYLVANIA CROSS COUNTRY - Youth Bike Grand National Cross Country, Racer Productions, Boyer. Info: 304/284-0084.

* TENNESSEE ARENA CROSS - Jamestown Motocross Park, Rnd 7, Jamestown. Info: 931/879-8557 or 879-7459.

Sun, June 6

CALIFORNIA MOTORCYCLE SHOW - 5th annual All American Motorcycle Show, Hidden Valley Park, Irvine. Info: 949/582-2371.

CALIFORNIA DUAL SPORT RIDE - Nor-Cal Expeditions, Redding/Shasta OHV Park, Redding. Info: 530/221-7647.

CALIFORNIA DRAG RACE AND CAR SHOW - 29th annual Antique Nationals, Los Angeles County Raceway, Palmdale. Info: 909/695-3713 or 909/787-0672.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - SSC Motocross, Castaic Brick Spring MX Nationals, Hungry Valley MX, Gorman. Info: 805/294-0020 or www.sscmx.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMMC, Barona Oaks Raceway, Rnd 8, Barona Oaks. Info: 760/752-8252 or www.baronaoaks.com.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Riverside Old-timers, Gorman SSC, Gorman. Info: 714/996-8327 or 909/674-0603.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - Over The Hill Gang, Gang only Race, Los Angeles County Raceway, Palmdale. Info: 562/941-1515.

COLORADO MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 25 State Championship Series, Rnd 2, Rocky Mountain Motocross Association, Spring Series, Rnd 9, Erie. Info: 303/271-0190 or www.rmxa.com.

* DELAWARE SHORT TRACK - Delaware Motorsports, Seaford Speedway, Seaford. Info: 302/422-8661.

FLORIDA MOTOCROSS - ProSports USA, Sunshine State MX Championship Series, Sun State Raceway, Ona. Info: 352/242-2605.

GEORGIA ROAD RIDE - Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation of the United States, Atlanta. Info: 828/665-6891.

*GEORGIA MOTOCROSS - AMA, Georgia Promoters Group, Paradise Off-Road Park, Macon. Info: 912/475-5711.

* IDAHO MOTOCROSS - Owyhee Motorcycle Club, Boise. Info: 208/922-3353.

* ILLINOIS HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA, Mid-South Summer Series, Soil Series, Jonesboro. Info: 618/252-2062.

ILLINOIS HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA, District 17, Cahokia Creek Dirt Riders, White City. Info: 217/324-5069.

* INDIANA MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 15, Podium One Motoplex, Charlestown. Info: 812/256-5517 or podium/.com.

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5/21/99	7:30 PM	MotoWorld	ESPN2
5/22/99	2:30 AM	MotoWorld (R)	ESPN2
5/23/99	8:00 PM	FIM World GP 125 - Spain	Speed
5/23/99	9:00 PM	FIM World GP 250 - France (Same day delay)	Speed
5/23/99	10:00 PM	FIM World GP 500 - France (Same day delay)	Speed
5/24/99	5:00 AM	MotoWorld (R)	ESPN2
5/25/99	4:00 AM	AMA Motocross - Glen Helen	ESPN2
5/27/99	7:00 PM	Bike Week - Dave Despain, host	Speed
5/28/99	7:30 PM	MotoWorld	ESPN2
5/29/99	2:30 AM	MotoWorld (R)	ESPN2
5/29/99	11:00 PM	AMA MotoCross - Glen Helen (R)	ESPN2
5/30/99	8:00 PM	FIM World Superbike - Monza, Italy (Same day delay)	Speed
5/31/99	5:00 AM	MotoWorld (R)	ESPN2

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Calendar

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KANSAS MOTOCROSS - KORR MX Spring Series, Rnd 7, Inman MX. Info: 316/585-2429.

MARYLAND MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 7, Antietam MC, Howell Road, Hagerstown. Info: 301/797-8686 or 797-1607.

MARYLAND VINTAGE TRIALS - Mid-Atlantic Vintage Trials Series, Monrovia. Info: 410/775-7209.

MICHIGAN HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA, District 14 Hare Scrambles Series, Bent Wheels Competition Club, Rose Valley Motel, Rose City. Info: 248/814-0624.

* MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - Midwest Spring Motocross Championship Series, Grain Valley MX Park, Grain Valley. Info: 816/331-6934.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 18 and YZ Bucks, Cycle World, Hawk Point. Info: 314/338-4090.

MISSOURI HARE SCRAMBLES - Missouri Hare Scrambles Championship, Poor Boys, Florence. Info: 417/537-8406.

MONTANA MOTOCROSS - High Country Motorcycle Association, Livingston.

NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS - Cornhusker Motocross Circuit, North Platte, NMA Qualifier. Info: 308/345-3744.

* NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS - Great Plains Promotions, White Sands Raceway, Ashland. Info: 402/556-5801 or wsrmxpark@worldnet.attnet.

NEVADA HARE SCRAMBLES - Rimbenders Hare Scrambles, MRANN, Rnd 4, Reno. Info: 775/322-1499.

* NEVADA MOTOCROSS - CMC, Spring Classic MX Nationals, Rnd 4 North, Silver State Raceway, Carson City. Info: 775/267-4392.

OHIO MOTORCYCLE RUN - District 12 of Ohio Motorcycle Association Inc., Continentals River Run, Junction. Info: 419/393-2625.

* OHIO DIRT TRACK - Carroll County Fairgroud & Triangle MC, AMA Pro-Am, Carrollton. Info: 740/382-6085 or 330/627-2300.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - NMA qualifier, Motorcycle Raceway, Oklahoma City. Info: 405/737-2468.

* PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Pagoda Motorcycle Club, AMA, District 6, Birdsboro. Info: 610/582-3717.

PENNSYLVANIA CROSS COUNTRY - Racer Productions Inc., Boyer. Info: 304/284-0084.

TENNESSEE MOTOCROSS - KTMXA, TNT MX Park, Milan. Info: 901/987-9633.

* WYOMING MOTOCROSS - HPMA, Rnd 6, Powder Basin MX Club, Powder Basin MX Track, Gillette. Info: 307/261-3100.

Fri, June 11

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - Fast Fridays Speedway Racing, night race, Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn. Info: 530/878-7223 or http://speedwaybikes.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - KB Racing Promotions, night race, Sacramento Raceway Park, Sacramento. Info: 916/682-6123 or www.jps.net/kbracing.

KANSAS FLAT TRACK - VDTRA All-Stars Flat Track Racing Series, night race, Wichita. Info: 719/541-2741.

* KENTUCKY HALF MILE - Paducah Dirt Riders, Mayfield Fairgrounds, Mayfield. Info: 502/444-6438.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, Milan Cycle City, night race, Milan. Info: 734/439-7735 or 734/241-1600.

OHIO SPEEDWAY - Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Speedway, Semi-Pro, night race, Lawrenceburg. Info: 513/662-7759.

* WISCONSIN SHORT TRACK - AMA, Grand National Short Track, SSTs Ltd., Wisconsin H-D Dealers Association, Sheboygan County Fairgrounds, Plymouth. Info: 920/893-5751.

* WISCONSIN MOTOCROSS - AMA Stadium MX, District 16, Stadium Series, Lake Geneva Raceway, Lake Geneva. Info: 815/337-0864.

June 12-13

ARKANSAS MOTOCROSS - AMA-LL Regional Qualifier-Youth, Cedar Hill MX, Magnolia. Info: 888/222-9158.

CALIFORNIA ROAD RACE - Thunderhill Park, Northern California Karters, Willows. Info: 530/934-5588.

CALIFORNIA MINI ROAD RACE - Northern California Mini Road Racing Association, Prairie City SVRA, Sacramento. Info: 916/722-5517 or ncmrra@aol.com.

* IDAHO MOTOCROSS - Wild West/SIRA, Rnd 4 of Wild West Nationals, Rupert Fairgrounds, Rupert. Info: 208/436-7071.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 14, Dirt Riders Motorsports, Log Road Motocross, Coldwater. Info: 419/636-5430 or 419/636-7462.

MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - Baja Acres, Millington. Info: 517/871-3356.

NEW HAMPSHIRE TRAIL RIDE - Merrimack Valley Trail Riders, Loudon. Info: 800/757-0203.

* PENNSYLVANIA MOTOCROSS - Doublin Gap MX Park, Newburg. Info: 717/249-6036 or www.doublingap.com.

* WASHINGTON SUPER TT - STTARS Super TT, American Racing Series, Northwest, Rnd 1, Bremerton Raceway, Bremerton. Info: 949/768-4626 or www.supertt.com.

* WASHINGTON MOTOCROSS - AMA, Loretta Lynn's regional, Washougal MX Park, Washougal. Info: 541/673-1671 or washougalmx.com.

WISCONSIN MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET - J&P Promotions, 14th annual Motorcycle Swap Meet and Ride-In Bike Show, North Paddock area, Elkhart Lake. Info: 319/462-6011.

Sat, June 12

* CALIFORNIA SPEEDWAY - International Speedway, Trader Magazine's Fan Appreciation Night, Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa. Info: 949/492-9933 or www.cmspeedway.com.

CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - REM, Saturday MX, Glen Helen, San Bernardino. Info: 619/484-1441.

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* ILLINOIS SHORT TRACK - Lamoine Ramblers, AMA, District 17, Macomb. Info: 309/837-1974 or dirttrackd17dir@juno.com.

* INDIANA MOTOCROSS - Steeltown MX Club, Chrisney City Park, Steeltown MX Park, Chrisney. Info: 812/925-8850 or 888/957-RACE.

* IOWA HALF MILE - DL Racing Vintage and Modern classes, Louisa County Fairgrounds, Columbus Junction. Info: 319/264-1988.

KANSAS MOTOCROSS - Racers Edge MX, Baxter Springs. Info: 417/833-1574.

KANSAS FLAT TRACK - VDTRA All-Stars Flat Track Racing Series, night race, Wichita. Info: 719/541-2741.

MICHIGAN SUPERCROSS - Michigan State Fair Supercross Series, Hudsonville Community Fair, Hudsonville. Info: 616/924-5778.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - NMA qualifier, Rnd 4, and CT Summer Series, Rnd 2, Challenge Trax, Kingsville. Info: 816/779-5020.

* NEW YORK SHORT TRACK - AMA, Square Deal Riders Motorcycle Club, SDR Raceway, Harpursville. Info: 607/722-6195 or 607/693-2634.

* NEW YORK STADIUMCROSS - Frozen Ocean Motocross Park Inc., Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or www.frozen-ocean.com.

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* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - Daniels Ridge MX, Taylorsville. Info: 828/758-4342 or 828/635-8635.

* NORTH CAROLINA MOTOCROSS - NAME, Nighttime Series, Rolling Hills Cycle Park, Reidsville. Info: 336/342-4492.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Motocross Racing Association, MX Drag Racing, night race, Delta Raceway, Delta. Info: 419/822-3006 or 734/241-1600.

OHIO MOTORCYCLE RUN - District 12 of Ohio Motorcycle Association Inc., Travelers Summer Run, Toledo. Info: 419/865-6327.

OHIO SHORT TRACK - 100cc Vintage Flat Track Club, Thornville. Info: 740/929-4229.

* OHIO SHORT TRACK - Honda Hills, Honda Hills Road, Thornville. Info: 740/323-3766.

* OHIO MOTOCROSS - Malvern Motocross Park, CRA, MX Night, Malvern. Info: 330/262-4945.

* OKLAHOMA MOTOCROSS - ARP, Ascot Park, night race, Fort Smith. Info: 501/474-1561.

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VIRGINIA MOTOCROSS - Powerline Motocross Playground, Spring Challenge '99, Floyd County, Willis. Info: 789-7260 or 789-7640.

Sun, June 13

ARKANSAS MOTOCROSS - annual Brickfest, Arkansas Motorsport Park, Donaldson. Info: 501/778-5712.

CALIFORNIA FLAT TRACK - West Coast Vintage Flat Track Series, Temecula Raceway, Temecula. Info: 661/268-0105.

CALIFORNIA ENDURO - District 36, AMA, The Merced Dirt Riders Little Polecat Enduro, Crandel Peak Staging Area, Long Barn. Info: 209/586-3986 or merced-dirt-riders@yahoo.com.

* CALIFORNIA MOTOCROSS - CMC Sunstar Spring Classic MX Nationals, Rnd 4 South, MaxTrack, Piru. Info: 949/367-1141.

CANADA TRAIL AND DUAL SPORT - Blair Sharpless and Company, Kawasaki Trail Ride and Dual Sport Series, Northumberland Trail Ride, Northumberland, Ontario. Info: 905/666-9734.

* COLORADO MOTOCROSS - High Desert Racing Club, AMA, District 45, Mancos. Info: 970/533-9747.

* COLORADO MOTOCROSS - SRAC/Mazda MX Series, M&M Connections, Colorado Springs. Info: 307/638-2226 or jamminmx@aol.com.

COLORADO MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 25, Rocky Mountain Motocross Association, Summer Series, Rnd 1, Yampa Valley. Info: 303/271-0190 or www.rmxa.com.

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* DELAWARE SHORT TRACK - Delaware Motorsports, Seaford Speedway, Seaford. Info: 302/422-8661.

* GEORGIA SUPERCROSS - Wings and Wheels Saturday Night SX, Bremen Race Park, Bremen. Info: 770/941-8464 or 770/537-0219 or dirtman23@aol.com.

* INDIANA MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 15, Podium One Motoplex, Charlestown. Info: 812/256-5517 or podium/.com.

KENTUCKY HARE SCRAMBLES - AMA, Mason Lane, Owenton. Info: 606/472-3442.

* MICHIGAN MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 14, Dirt Riders Motorsports, Log Road Motocross, Coldwater. Info: 419/636-5430 or 419/636-7462.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - Buffalo Motocross. Info: 417/345-6981.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - Possum Hollow MX, Rnd 4, Halltown. Info: 417/581-1977.

MISSOURI MOTOCROSS - AMA, District 18, Finger Lakes State Park, Columbia. Info: 314/488-3174.

* MISSOURI HARE SCRAMBLES - Missouri Hare Scrambles Championship, Brush Busters, Fairfax. Info: 417/537-8406.

MONTANA MOTOCROSS - High Country Motorcycle Association, Malta.

NEBRASKA MOTOCROSS - Cornhusker Motocross Circuit, Friend. Info: 308/345-3744.

* NEVADA MOTOCROSS - Nevada State MX Championship Series, Rnd 2, Moto-X-West and Reno OTHG, Fernley International Raceway, Fernley. Info: 775/423-8226 or jaja@phonewave.net.

NEW YORK ROAD RIDE - Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation of the United States, Utica. Info: 828/665-6891.

* NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - CNYMRA, AMA, District 3, Auburn. Info: 315/784-5466 or 784-5517 or www.frozen-ocean.com.

NEW YORK MOTOCROSS - WNYSC Silver Springs Racing, Rock Glen. Info: 716/786-2087 or members.xoom.com/ssmxracing.

NORTH CAROLINA ROAD RACE - Southeastern Mini Roadracing Association, Concord Motor Speedway, Concord. Info: 704/932-6179 or 704/784-1767.

OHIO ROAD RACE - Ohio YSR League, Circleville Raceway Park, Circleville. Info: 614/755-2484.

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* OHIO HARE SCRAMLBES - Ohio State Championship Hare Scrambles, AMA, District 11, Dynamic Promotions, Belpre. Info: 740/593-6704.

OHIO HARE SCRAMBLES - CRA, Buckeye Series, Proffer Promotions, Cable Creek, Toronto. Info: 330/538-2220.

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June 14-15

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June 19-20

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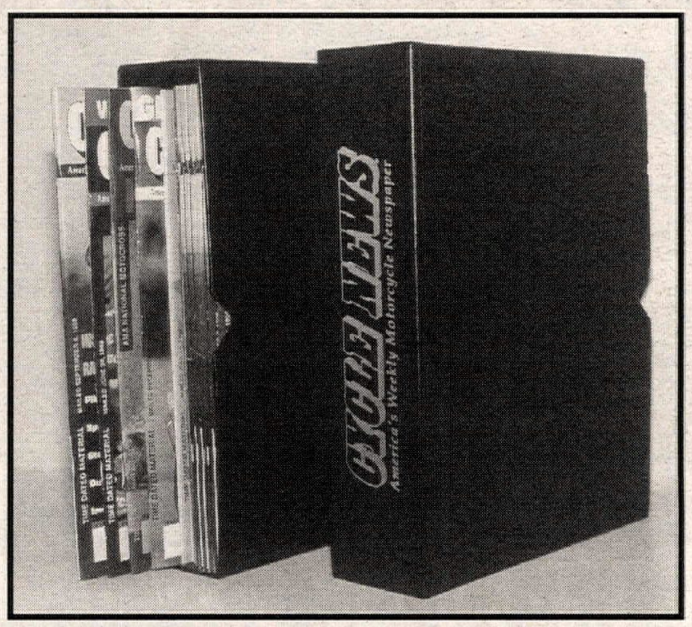

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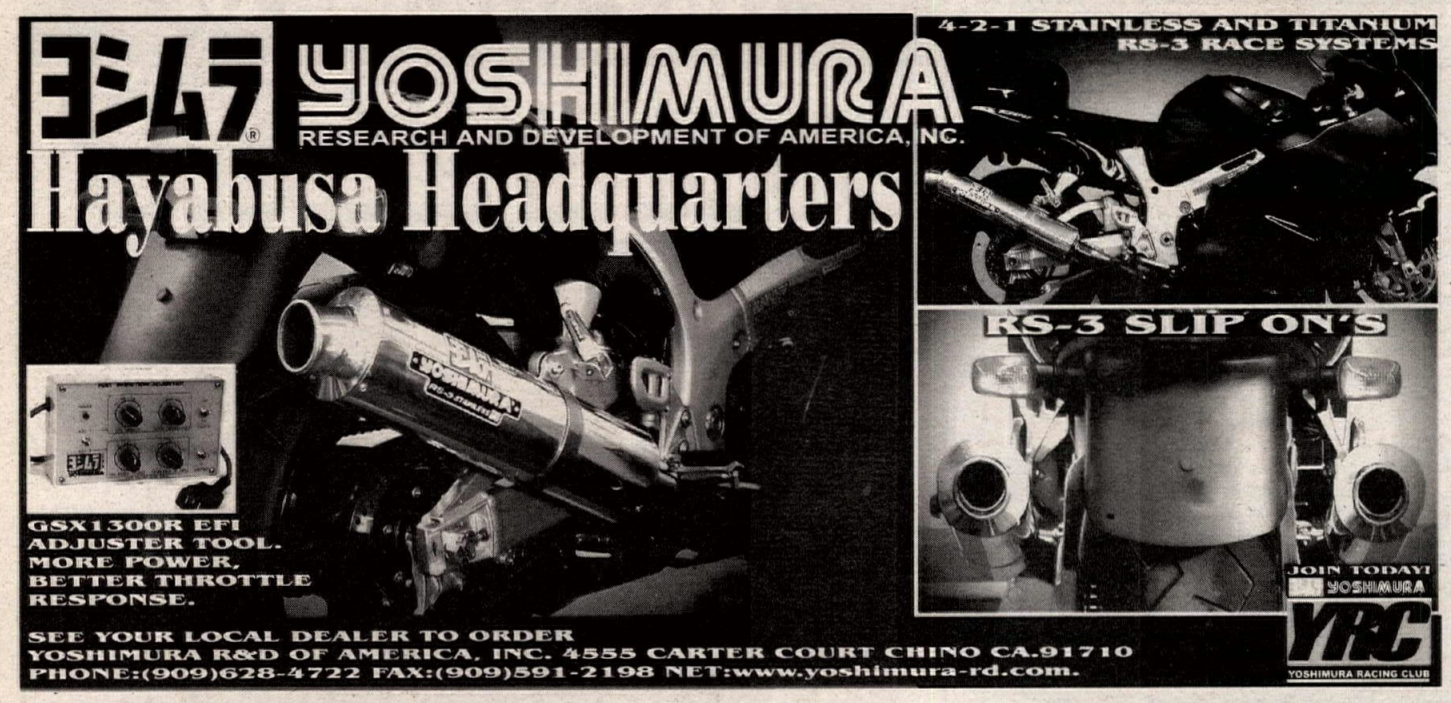

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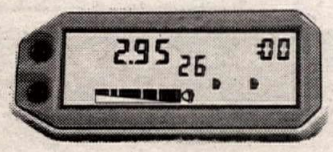

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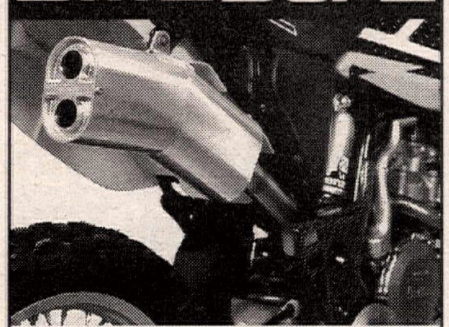

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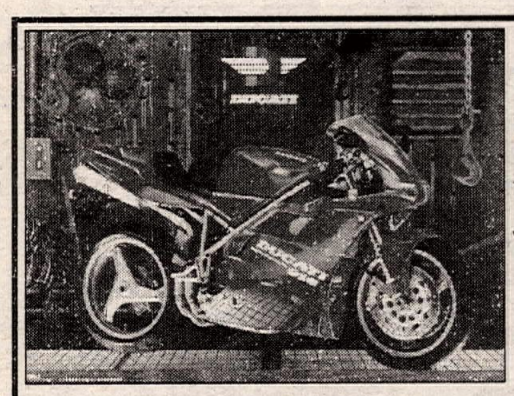

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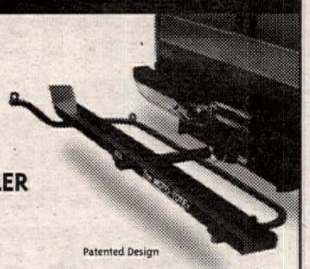

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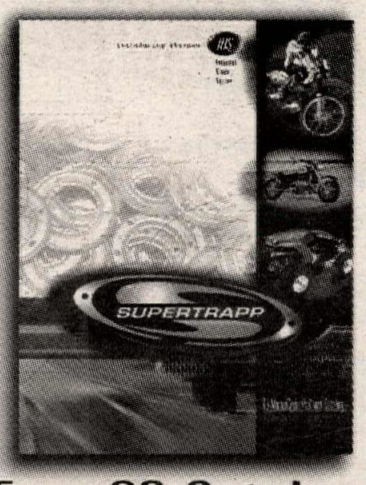

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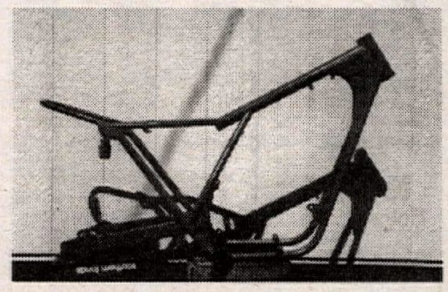

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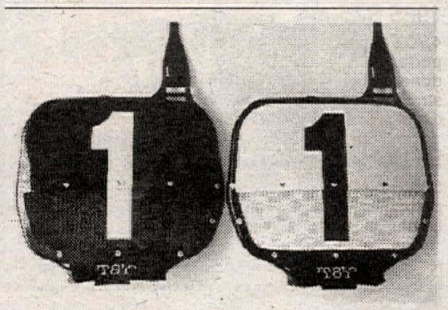

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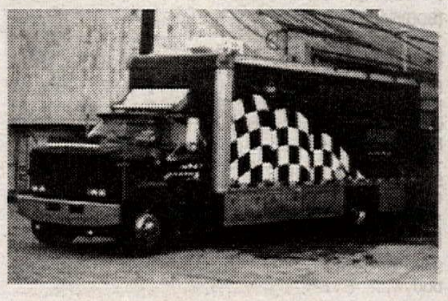

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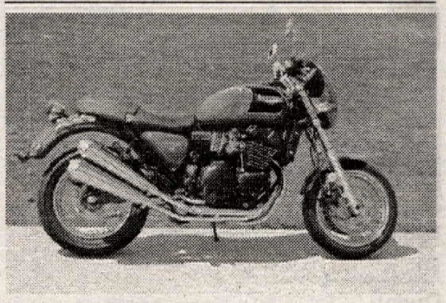

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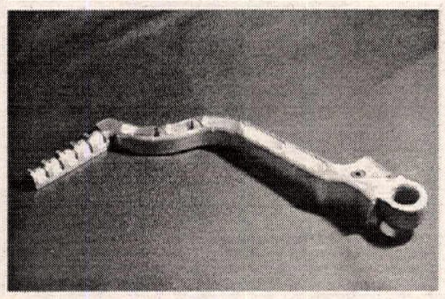

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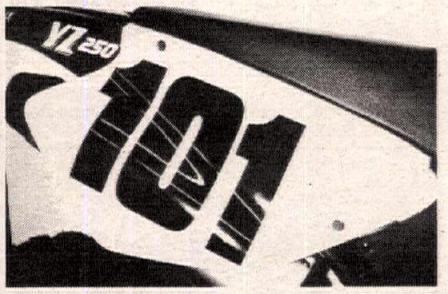

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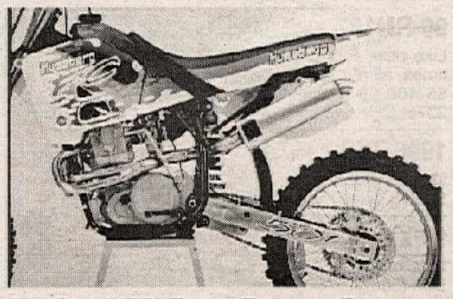

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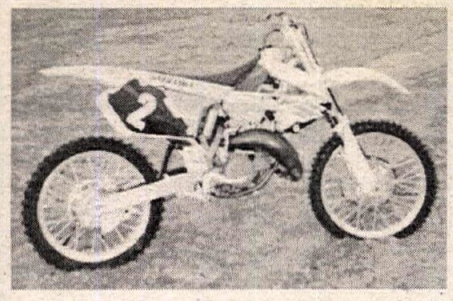

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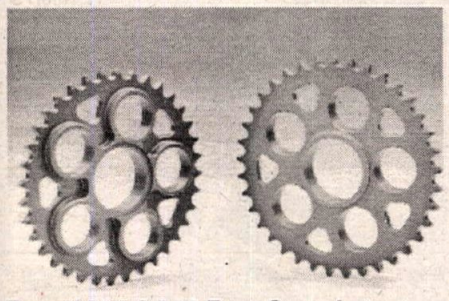

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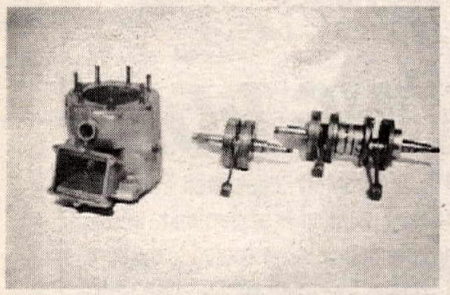

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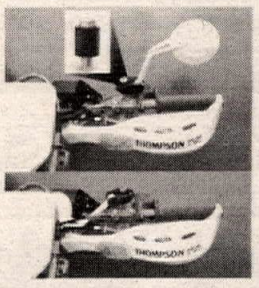

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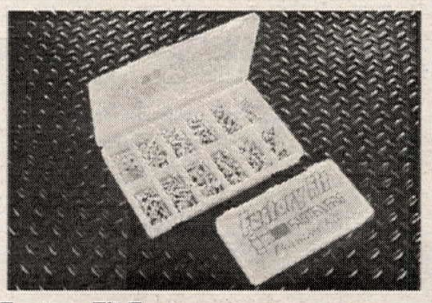

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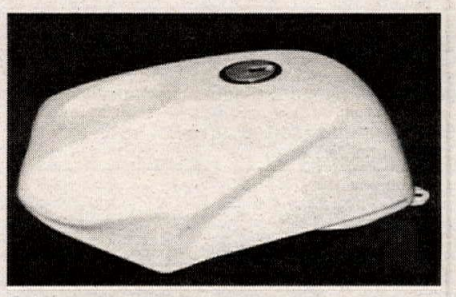

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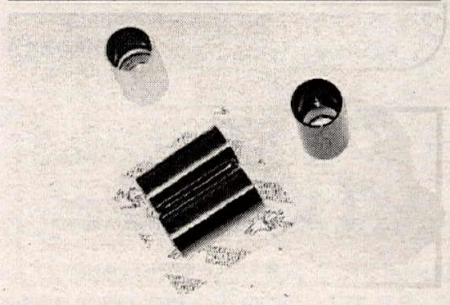

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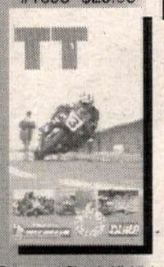

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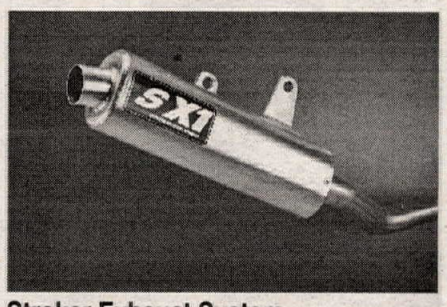

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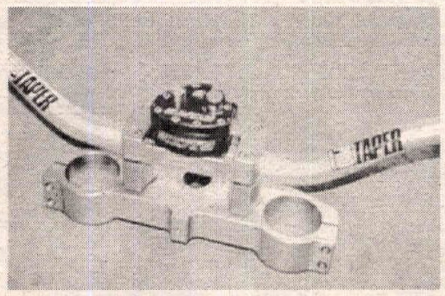

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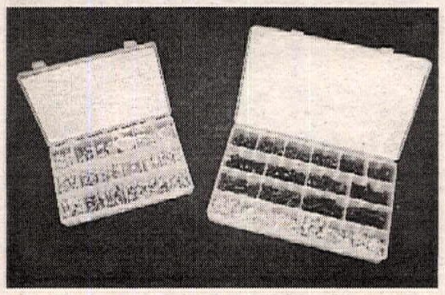

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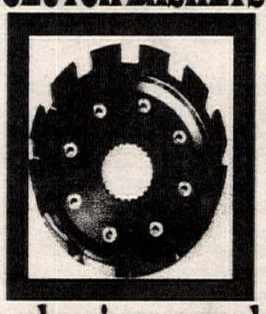

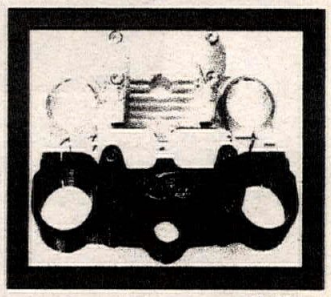
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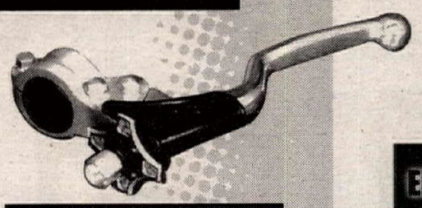

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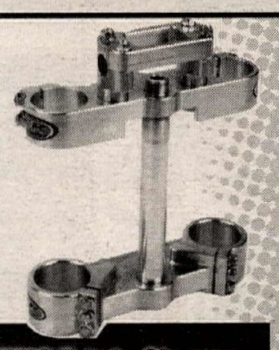

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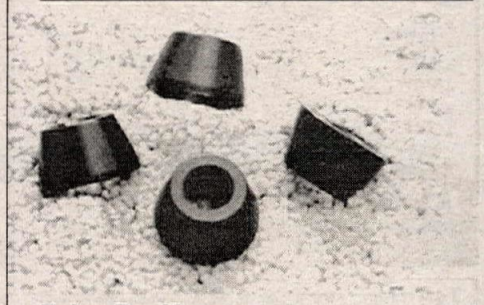

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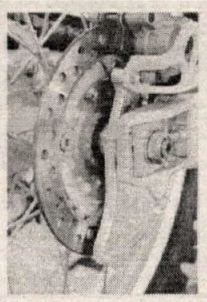

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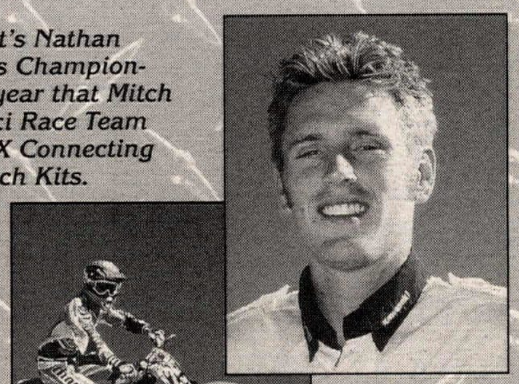

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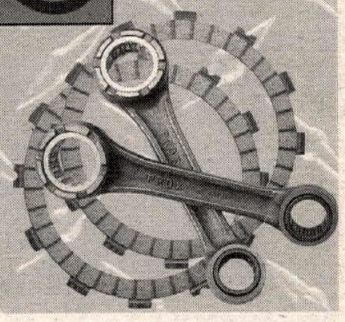

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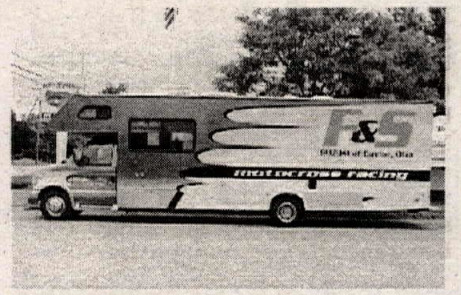

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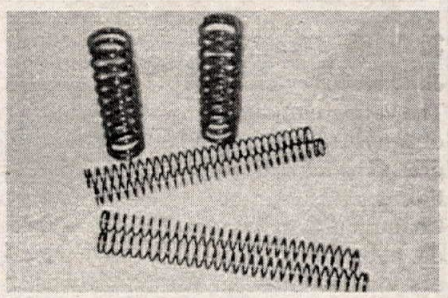

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BY DENNIS NOYES

Here's what it was like to be in the TV commentary booth in Jerez when Mick Doohan crashed in the Friday afternoon qualifying session.

We were live on Eurosport and I was looking through my notes, saying something to the effect that this was the first time since 1993 that Doohan hadn't won at least one of the first two races of the season. Just then, co-commentator Toby Moody suddenly started shouting, "Mick Doohan is down! Doohan is down!"

Toby, Randy Mamola and I do a marathon weekend of 14 hours of live Grand Prix coverage for Eurosport, and that same commentary on Sunday is recorded and, after a little postproduction work, becomes the commentary for our one-hour same-day-delayed broadcasts of the 250 and 500cc races on Speedvision. You get to see and hear roughly one-seventh of what fans in Europe have available to them.

Randy is in pit lane with a radio microphone and Toby and I are up in the booth. Toby and I make sure that one of us always has his eyes on the screen, because the worst thing that can happen to you in the commentary booth is to get caught looking out the window, or at your notes, when something big happens on screen - something that you don't see.

When I looked up at the screen I saw a horrific sight. Doohan's bike was cartwheeling high in the air and Mick was just in the process of slamming into a Michelin sign that was placed in front of some tire barriers. Then, in a flash, we realized that the crash was right behind us.

I jumped up and opened the door and looked down from the back of the grandstand at a helmetless security guard lying prone on the service road beside his scooter. On the other side of the barrier, I could see cornerworkers bending down, but I couldn't see Mick. Yellow flags were waving.

Two ambulances were on the way via the service roads and then, very soon after the incident, red flags were being shown all around the track.

So much had happened at once that it was hard to take it all in, let alone explain it. The first official qualifying session had begun at 2:00 p.m. sharp, with the track still damp after a rain that had fallen at the end of 125cc qualifying. About a half-dozen 500cc riders had gone out with cut-slicks or "intermediate" tires, among them Kenny Roberts Jr. and Alex Criville. But Doohan stayed in the pits until he saw Roberts' times getting down near the 2:02 mark.

Doohan had been quickest by more than a second in the morning's dry free-practice session, and he was obviously out to do what he has been doing for the last five years: put pressure on his rivals by getting deep into the quick times very early in qualifying.

I'd mentioned several times on the air how slick the white lines in Jerez can be when they are damp. I remember racing there when the track was new and almost being caught a couple of times when I touched the lines.

Doohan quickly got under two minutes, and he then started bringing his times down very quickly. Soon he was down to 1:47.5 and then 1:46.4, but it was during the 1:46.4 that he ran up on the white line at Nieto corner and spun the rear wheel, sending his Repsol Honda into a long slide that he was able to control.

That, I figured, would have been warning enough.

We were nearly halfway through the one-hour session - the track was dry and all riders were out on slicks. The corner in which Doohan crashed was the same one he went down in back in '95, when Spain's Alberto Puig won the race. Mick came out of the turn-two hairpin and accelerated through the Michelin right-hander. He was running about 120 mph in third, flat out, when he peeled off for the fast left-hander. He let the bike drift a little too far to the right and put the rear slick up on the still-damp white line. Without any warning, the bike spun, stepped out and then gripped again, snapping the rider out of the seat and hurling him over the bars and into the gravel. The machine shed its tank, then bounced and cartwheeled over the deep gravel. Doohan, tumbling like a rag doll, slammed into the tire barrier and an instant later his Honda hit the top of the fence about 10 yards behind him.

The fence was strong enough to stop the bike, but several parts broke off on impact, including two silencers. As fate would have it, a Spanish security guard was traveling along the service road right behind the wall and never saw what hit him. He's still in very serious condition.

Doohan was motionless on his back in the gravel for about 10 seconds before opening his eyes. He broke his right leg just below the knee - the same leg he broke so badly at Assen in 1992 - and also his right collarbone and left wrist.

It took a while for it all to sink in, but we realized that Mick Doohan's run for a sixth straight title was over, and that he would be facing a lengthy recovery at best. Mick's intentions are to return "as soon as he can."

What we didn't know at the time was that Kenny Roberts Jr., at about the same time, had done the same thing on a fast right-hander. He put his rear wheel on the white line and a few seconds later found himself in the fence. On the same lap that Doohan and Roberts were crashing, Biaggi and John Kocinski also touched the lethal white lines and both riders were thrown up and out of the seat, though both managed to save it.

Were the white lines too slick? Had someone forgotten to sandblast them? Had the wrong kind of paint been used? Those are the questions that the riders' safety delegate, Franco Uncini, is being asked by Doohan, Roberts, Biaggi and others.

In the crazy moments after the crash, while we were watching the two ambulances, one carrying the policeman and one carrying the five-time World Champion, I found myself in awe of the magnitude of the event. I felt that I'd never see Doohan race again, and that whether I did or not, this day marked the end of a five-year period of domination the likes of which may never be seen again in Grand Prix racing.

I knew that many would say that Mick was riding too hard on a damp track and that he was out there on the edge, trying to break the spirit of guys like Roberts and Criville. They are right. Mick went down, ending his string of consecutive championships and (almost certainly) his run on Agostini's record for total wins in 500cc GP, because he was trying to rattle, shake and maybe even break his opponents' confidence.

But if this workaholic and obsessive aggressiveness was, in fact, his downfall, it was also the quality that made him *the man* for the last five years. I could give a lot of examples of instances when Doohan, under dodgy conditions, went out and put in heart-stopping laps to take yet another pole.

Mick always said that he didn't care about the pole, that being on the front row was enough, but nobody in modern GP history (as I pointed out last week in a *Cycle News* article on statistics) has ever been on the pole with the frequency of Doohan. In 137 GP starts, he has 58 poles for a percentage of 42.3 percent. Only Freddie Spencer, at 41.9 percent on less than half the number of starts, is even close.

Maybe it's true that Mick didn't care about getting the pole, like he said. But what he cared about was not letting anyone else get the pole - not letting anybody go to bed too happy.

Here's a story that tells you a lot about Doohan and what he was prepared to do to beat you: In Imola a couple of years ago, we were in the final minutes of the final qualifying session and it had just started to rain. Criville had been in the right place at the right time and had put up the quickest lap of practice just as the first little cat's paws of rain started popping up on his screen. Mick had been in the Repsol Honda pit, getting ready for a final run. When he stepped out of the garage, he saw a few drops coming down and saw Alex coming in. Mick's crew had his bike ready to go, but Mick walked over to Alex and asked about the conditions. Alex, who still had his helmet on, pointed up to the sky and made the riders' international fingers-extended gesture for light rain.

Mick turned on the spot, got on the bike and went out to put in a fantastic lap to steal the pole from Alex. He did it on a track that was taking a light rain and he dared to touch white lines that could, at any second, become lethal. It was a calculated risk. He was living dangerously, but he trusted his instincts and his feel of the race track.

The effect of taking that pole from Criville was devastating. I talked to Alex that night and he just shook his head in wonder and said, *"Este tio te rompe los huevos* (That guy is a ball-breaker)."

In Jerez last week, Mick was facing a difficult situation. Roberts was coming in on a two-race winning streak and Criville had won the last two in a row at Jerez. He had to make a statement. He had to stop their momentum.

If Doohan had kept that Honda about an inch tighter, the story of the Spanish Grand Prix would have been a lot different and maybe a lot less memorable - but then you always remember the wingwalker's failures more than his successes. CN

Looking Back

30 YEARS AGO...
JUNE 3, 1969

The Palmgren brothers finished 1-2 in a Triumph sweep of the Reading, Pennsylvania, Half Mile. **Larry Palmgren** (Tri) took the win, followed by his brother **Chuck Palmgren** (Tri), with reigning AMA Grand National Champion **Gary Nixon** (Tri) finishing third... In Canada, two **Honda** in-line four-cylinder-powered road racers were spotted at the Harewood Acres races in Ontario... The **Bushmasters MC** hosted its final motocross of the season in Beaumont, California. **Don Watkins** won the 100cc class, and Walter Sharp won the 125cc class. Both riders were aboard Sachs-powered machines... **Shorty Seabourne** (BSA) won a Friday night half mile at Ascot Park for the first time in two years, while up the road in Paicoma, **Rick Woods** won the speedway races held at Whiteman Stadium... **BSA** was advertising wins by none other than "Crazy Dave" Aldana in order to push its Victor line of off-road motorcycles.

20 YEARS AGO...
MAY 30, 1979

Kent Howerton (Suz) stopped Bob Hannah's win streak at the fifth round of the AMA 250cc National MX Series in Southwick, Massachusetts. In fact, Hannah finished a disappointing 10th overall after carding a DNF in moto two... In the opening round of the AMA 500cc National Championship Series held at the same venue, **Danny LaPorte** (Suz) put together a sweep to take the overall victory ahead of **Rex Staten** (Yam) and Darell Shultz (Suz)... We ran an interview on the always-smiling **Gary Jones**, who captured two successive AMA National MX titles in the early '70s. Jones rode for the Yamaha, Honda and Can-Am factories before going on to build and race Ammex motorcycles with his father, Don... **Neil Hudson** (Mai) won the Belgian 250cc MX GP at Genk... We also took a look at how the **EPA** was addressing the problem of noisy motorcycles.

10 YEARS AGO...
MAY 24, 1989

Doug Chandler (Hon) put together a flawless performance aboard his Hank Scott-prepared RS750 to win the Ascot Half Mile. **Ricky Graham** finished second, with **Rodney Farris** (H-D) finishing third... The Human Race Team of **Kurt Hall and Andy Fenwick** (Yam) made it two wins in a row when they captured the overall victory at the Willow Springs International Raceway round of the WERA National Endurance Series in Rosamond, California... **Kevin Hines** (KTM) carded only 11 points en route to the win at the Cherry Creek National Enduro in Traverse City, Michigan, round four on the AMA schedule... **Eric Geboers** (Hon) drew even with his factory Honda teammate **David Thorpe** (Hon) at the top of the World 500cc MX Championship Series standings after winning the Italian GP in Fermo... **Tyson Vohland** (Kaw) led his teammate and brother **Tallon Vohland** (Kaw) across the finish line for the win during round six of the Mickey Thompson Off-Road Gran Prix Series at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, California. CN

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